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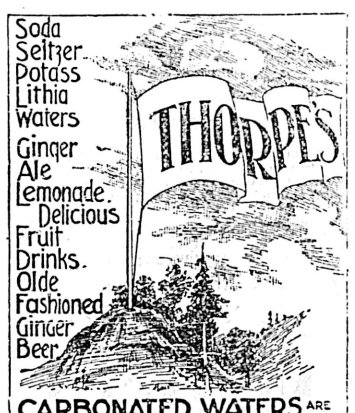

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PROFIT SHARING.

United States Steel Company Inaugurates a New Plan.

New York, Dec. 31.—In a double circular, one to the stockholders, and the other to the officers and employees, the United States Steel corporation announces its intention to inaugurate a system whereby the humblest workman on its rolls may, if he desires, become a permanent stockholder and share in the profits of the corporation. The scheme is the result of months of preparation by the Finance committee of the corporation and the circulars are signed by G. W. Perkins, chairman. The plan is said to have originated with Mr. Perkins. The plan inviting officers and employees to participate in dividend into two parts. Part one prescribes that from the earnings of the corporation during the year 1902, there will have been set aside at least $2,000,000, and as much more as is needed for the purchase of at least 25,000 shares of preferred stock, which will be offered as follows to employees of the corporation and constitutent companies. At present the corporation and subsidiary companies are employing 68,000 men, whom it is proposed to divide into six classes ranging from those receiving $2,000 a year or over, down to men earning $890 yearly or less. The preferred stock will be offered to any employee during January at $82.50 per share (its closing price today was $85.50). Employees can subscribe for an amount of stock not exceeding the sum represented by a certain percentage of their salaries. The question of what constitutes profits is to be determined by a Finance committee, which it is stated will have no interest in the profit sharing plan. If $80,000,000 is earned in the coming year, $800,000 will be set aside, one-half to be distributed in cash quarterly, the other half to be reserved until the end of the year, invested in preferred stock, the stock purchased to be divided, one-half to employees entitled thereto, the other half to remain with the treasurer of the company. Each shareholder is to receive a certificate for his interest taking these provisions.

First—If he remains continuously in the service of the company, or of one or another of its subsidiary companies, for five years, the stock shall be delivered to him, and he may do as he likes with it.

Second—If he dies, or becomes totally permanently disabled, while in the employ of the corporation or one or other of its subsidiary companies, the stock will be delivered to his estate or to him.

Third—He can draw the dividends declared on the stock while it is held for his account, and he remains in the employ of the corporation or of one or another of its subsidiary companies.

Fourth—That if without previous consent voluntarily, he shall have quitted the service of the company, or its subsidiary companies, he shall forfeit all right to this stock, and in such case it will be held in a fund which at the end of five years will be divided among such employees as shall have complied with all the conditions. Thus 25 percent. of all the moneys set aside in this profit-sharing plan will be held for five years and will be given to such only as at the end of that period shall be in the employ of the company, or of one or another of its subsidiary companies, from and since January 1, 1903. High officials of the steel corporation declined today to discuss the reported approaching retirement of President Schwab.

DECOYED TO MINES.

Serious Charges Against Pennsylvania Companies.

New York, Dec. 31.—Suits have been brought by 22 residents of this city who claim that during the recent coal strike they were decoyed to the mines in Pennsylvania by agents of the Erie railway, and of the Pennsylvania Coal company, damages for $5,000 each, amounting to $1,100,000 in all are sued for, and the attorney for the plaintiffs consulted with an assistant district attorney about bringing the matter before the grand jury, to be sworn in next Monday. The plaintiffs claim that under pretence of doing work for the railroad and coal company they were decoyed to Hoboken, where they were locked in a car and carried against their will to the coal regions in Pennsylvania, and compelled to act as "strike breakers," under the threats of "being turned over to the fury of the miners." The men say they finally succeeded in making their way back to the city, but declare that on their way home they had narrow escapes from being mobbed.

An officer of the Erie railroad said tonight that no complaint had been served yet on the company. He added that the company was without information in regard to the cause of the actions, and said he was confident that the Erie company and its constituent company, the Pennsylvania Coal company, had done nothing unlawful, and that he had no doubt the companies will be able to successfully defend any suits. The company makes no misrepresentations, he said, but it is always extremely careful to explain to the men the conditions and circumstances under which they are employed.

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UNDESIRABLE IMMIGRANTS.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 31.—Dr. W. L. Ellis, the newly appointed physician at this port, today ordered the deportation of 60 immigrants who came over on the Elder-Dempster line steamer Lake Ontario. Most of them are afflicted with trachomia.

Finnish Settlers

Head of Malcolm Island Colony on the Work Being Done.

Inundated With Letters From Families Who Want to Come Here.

Two Men Suspected of Highway Robbery Arrested in Vancouver.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Dec. 31.—"If my calculations are not a fault, 2,000 men, women and children from Finland and the Eastern States will join the colony at Malcolm Island next summer." These were the words of President Kurrika, of the Finnish colony at Malcolm Island. He stated that thousands of people want to come; in fact, the number is only limited by the capacity of the colonization company to find homes and employment for them. They have been hard at work building houses and preparing for the rush, but there are only two hundred pairs of hands on the island, and although they are busy hands, the work of converting the forest lands into habitable homes and small holdings progresses with comparative slowness. Even men who have paid for their shares and continue to pay for them have to be kept away until they can be properly received in their homes on the island. The prospective settlers are not at all poor by any means; some of them bring several thousand dollars each in cash and chattels, and when these latter are able to be provided for on the island, they will be a help to the community.

Besides this, President Kurrika has interested Eastern United States capitalists in his association, and he can at least say that by their letters they are keenly interested, and he believes it is likely they will come to British Columbia and invest their money in enterprises in which the prospective thousands of Finnish immigrants will be engaged.

In fact, already a pulp company in Victoria is negotiating for many laborers in connection with a prospective pulp industry. The saw mill on the island is now cutting up from 15 to 20 logs a day, and while but ten men are employed in the mill, all the settlers are busy about the island, very many of them being engaged in clearing the swamp lands for agriculture.

President Kurrika states that the Finlanders make the best people in the world as settlers in a new country, if they are properly treated, and from the glowing account of the island's prosperity, and the happiness and good health of the settlers given the president, that gentleman evidently is a post master in the art of handling immigrants. For some time there has been a paper published in the language of Finland at Nanaimo, and this paper has a circulation of 1,500. It is judiciously circulated in Finland and the Eastern States. The paper is called the Aika, and the plant has been moved to Malcolm Island, that it may be issued from there. President Kurrika has so much to attend to in preparing for the summer and spring rush, that he has been obliged to locate in Vancouver and open an office on Hastings street. He is thus in the city most of the time, so that he may attend promptly to the large mail that he is receiving constantly from intending settlers. In speaking of the boom of logs which was recently reported as stolen from the settlement, Mr. Kurrika says that the logs turned up after all, securely fastened some distance from the place they had been stored. The colony has orders a year ahead for logs and lumber, and require a large quantity of lumber for the building of homes for the coming thousands.

President Kurrika states that he is negotiating with canneries to secure Finland fishermen for them. He says there are 250 Finlanders in the States, and he can get 2,000 for the Fraser or Northern rivers on three months' notice. They would be members of the co-operative society, and would receive wages from the society for what they did for the canners, and all money earned above those wages would be divided among them after the fishing season was over. He also desires to get 2,000 of his countrymen out here to log and cut shingle bolts, and says he may be able to sign contracts to that end before long.

At 8 o'clock on the night of the 22nd inst. Samuel Welsley was struck a blow between the eyes as he was going to his lodging house from the Dougall house. The blow knocked him senseless. When he recovered he found that he had been robbed, all is pockets being emptied of money and other valuables, including a watch and chain. Mr. Welsley, who is a quiet, industrious laboring man, at once complained to the police and informed them that he was morally certain that he was robbed by two men who had been in the Dougall house with him, and had left the house at the same time he had. These men were Paul Ridyard and Alfred Todd. The matter was kept as quiet as possible, to give the police an opportunity to locate the highwaymen. The suspects, however, took no chances of arrest, lying low in hopes that the matter would blow over. Last night they again made their appearance, however, and Mr. Welsley at once informed the police of their whereabouts, and Officers McLean, Mulhearn and Jackson being detailed to make the arrest, which they did last night at 1030. The police say they are Englishmen of good education. Alfred Todd is 25 years of age, and Paul Ridyard is 26. Both were penniless when arrested and had no visible means of support. They gave their occupation as firemen.

The White Pass and Yukon offices will be opened for business on Friday. They will be located on the South side of the second floor of the McKinnon block, formerly occupied by the Mutual Life Insurance Company. Several of the employees of the new offices arrived last evening.

It has been announced that at a meeting of the executive committee of the Conservative Association, together with a number of leading Conservatives, last night, it was decided to place no candidate in the field in the by-election for Burrard.

Messrs. Evans, Coleman & Evans are closing a contract for a large consignment of piles to be used in the construction of a new wharf in the early part of the year. The wharf will be 350 feet long.

CUT OFF IN OLD AGE.

Eighty-Nine Years Old Man Tried to Cross the Track.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—Rev. Sidney D. Frost, a retired Free Baptist clergyman, 89 years old, is dead. He was crossing the Lackawanna railway and failed to hear the approaching train.

NEW MINISTERS.

Changes in the Newfoundland Cabinet.

St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 31.—Capt. Dawe was today appointed Minister of Mines and Henry Gear was appointed minister without portfolio to fill the vacancies in the Bond cabinet resulting from the withdrawal of Chief Justice Howard and Postmaster-General, H. J. B. Woods.

PUNITIVE FORCE

To Be Sent to Central Africa by Britain.

London, Dec. 31.—In consequence of the menacing attitude of the Emir of Kano, a powerful Mohammedan ruler of Northern Nigeria, who has placed a price on the head of Capt. Abadia, the British resident at Zaria, Central Africa, the British goverament has decided upon the immediate despatch of a punitive expedition of 1,200 men belonging to the West African force.

AFTER MANY DAYS.

Banker Will Spend His New Year's in Jail.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Edward S. Dreyer, former banker and treasurer of the West Park board, was taken to Joliet today to begin a long-delayed sentence for withholding $315,000 of park funds. Nearly four years have passed since Dreyer's conviction, during which time he has been in the county jail awaiting the results of the extraordinary efforts for his release.

MGR. BARRETTI.

Appointed Apostolic Delegate to Canada.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The Most Rev. Mgr. S. Barretti, archbishop of Ephesus, has received the pontifical brief appointing him apostolic delegate to Canada, to succeed Mgr. Falconio, who has recently arrived in Washington to take the place of Cardinal Martinelli, now apostolic delegate in the United States. Mgr. Barretti received his brief at the apostolic legation here and will leave for his residence in Ottawa on Friday.

German Claims In Venezuela

Excludes From Arbitration Demands of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars.

A Correspondent's Story About Castro's Light and Careless Attitude.

Berlin, Dec. 31.—The German government's reservations in agreeing to submit the Venezuelan claims to arbitration continue to be undisclosed in their entirety. From statements appearing today, it seems to be confirmed that Germany excludes from the claims which are subject to arbitration demands amounting to $300,000 for seizure of property and outrages on the persons of German subjects under circumstances which are deemed so clear that it is useless to call in arbitrators. The payment of this sum will not be demanded in cash at present, but a sufficient guarantee of the payment will be insisted upon. Great Britain's preferred claims are equivalent in amount, hence the statements made abroad that Germany is asking more than Great Britain, are incorrect.

The Lokal Anzeiger, the only German newspaper having a special correspondent at Caracas, prints a despatch from there dated December 29, relating the correspondent's experience in interviewing President Castro. He found him at Gen. Alcantara's estate at La Victoria, dancing. At noonday Gen. Alcantara, who was handling a bundle of despatches, remarked to the correspondent that it "would not do to interrupt the President's pleasure, even with state business." But, the correspondent says, he spoke to the President between dances, and after a conversational reconnaissance, inquired if he intended to give the powers satisfaction? "Why, no," replied the President; "I am the one demanding satisfaction for insults!" "At this remark," the correspondent continued, "a lady clapped the President on the back and said :'That's the way to talk, old boy!'"

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 31.—The British Admiral Douglas today granted a special permit to the Orinoco Steamship Co. to send its steamer Bolivar to Ciudad Bolivar, Venezuela, and for the vessel's return here.

SHOT ABOARD SHIP.

Color Row on the Schooner Sunlight.

Kingston, Ja., Dec. 31.—Considerable excitement prevails in Savvana la Mar, on the Southwest coast of this island, caused by the shooting there yesterday of the colored Jamaican 2nd mate of the American brig Sunlight by H. G. Gardner, of Maine, the first officer of that vessel. According to details which have reached here, trouble arose on board the Sunlight over the color question. The crew left her and refused to return. During the disturbance, it appears, Gardner fired at the second mate and probably fatally wounded him. A strong force of police were sent on board the brig to arrest Gardner, and it was with difficulty that he was overpowered and taken to jail. The police were compelled to guard the building in order to prevent native mobs from attacking it.

PRICE OF CABLES.

Henniker-Heaton Predicts a Reduction in Rates.

Montreal, Dec. 31.—The Star's London cable says: "It is understood that the Canadian government is prepared to yield some part of the demands of the Chignecto Railway Company for compensation in view of $4,000,000 spent on the road. Negotiations are still proceeding. The company expects that the Ottawa cabinet will reach a final decision by the end of January. Meanwhile the trustees have been re-appointed for three years.

Henniker-Heaton, M.P., writing to the London Times today, regarding Marconi's developments, prophesies trans-Atlantic cable messages by all lines will soon be reduced 50 per cent, namely to 6d. per word.

Montreal customs receipts have increased $1,500,000 over last year. The total collections were $10,974,450.

AGREED.

Vienna, Dec. 31.—After a protracted conference, Dr. von Koerber, the Austrian premier, and Coloman Deszell, the Hungarian premier, reached an understanding with regard to the Ausgleich at 9 o'clock this evening, and it was announced that the premiers had agreed to a compromise. The Ausgleich is the customs union and seal agreement between Austria and Hungary.

New Year's Greetings

Sir Sandford Fleming's Message on Anniversary of Pacific Cable Contract.

Canada's Customs Revenue Shows Large Increase Over Last Year.

Nominations For By-Elections For the Ontario Legislature.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—(Special)—The following message from Sir Sandford Fleming over the "all-red" line was tonight transmitted by C. P. R. telegraph and Pacific cable: "Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 31.—To the Premiers, Press and People of Australia and New Zealand: On the anniversary of the formal execution of the Pacific cable contract, a unique partnership of six British governments, I am enabled as one result to transmit from Canada for the first time by wire, respectful and cordial New Year's greetings. (Signed) Sandford Fleming."

The customs revenue for December show an increase of $398,000. For the year it was $18,000,000, an increase of $2,000,000 over last year.

Mr. Blair has ordered 430 more cars for the Intercolonial traffic, especially live stock and coal.

Louis Gross, of Baltimore, arrested here for stealing $400 from his father-in-law, was divorced here today according to Hebrew rites, by Rabbi Sprince, of Montreal. Gross admitted desertion and consented to a divorce on condition that the charge of theft against him was withdrawn.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—(Special)—The nominations for provincial by-elections in North Grey, North Perth and North Norfolk took place today. The candidates are:

North Norfolk—Little, Liberal; Snider, Conservative.

North Perth—Newn, Liberal; Monteith, Conservative.

North Grey—MacKay, Liberal; Boyd, Conservative.

The Conservatives are hopeful of carrying all seats, in which event Mr. Whitney will have a majority in the legislature.

A legal battle for possession of the estate of Wilson Morton, the victim of Friday's railway catastrophe at Wansted, is a possibility of the future. Wilson Morton's wife lives at 28 Follis avenue, but she is not alone in claiming the property, for Morton was married a second time about a year and a half ago in Hamilton to Miss Morley Mutter. Morton had two children by his first wife.

London, Ont., Dec. 31.—Mayor Beck has been re-elected by acclamation, the other candidates having withdrawn.

Montreal, Dec. 31.—A rear-end collision occurred on the Victoria bridge of the Grand Trunk crossing the river St. Lawrence here this morning between two freight trains, resulting in the death of Conductor Trembly, who was crushed while in the caboose. The company claims that the accident would have been averted had Trembly been outside instead of inside the caboose. The block system is in use on the bridge.

Port Colborne, Ont., Dec. 31.—Mrs. Isaac Schooley, an old lady of the village of Humberstone, was burned to death last night by an explosion of natural gas frim which she was starting a ural gas from which she was starting a lighting a match, thus causing the gas to explode, and setting fire to her clothes.

PAYMENT OF CHINA'S DEBT

Most of the Powers Refuse Silver But United States Accepts.

Pekin, Dec. 31.—The ministers of foreign powers have telegraphed their governments of the refusal of China to pay the international indemnity in gold notes and have discussed the matter among themselves. It is proposed to inform the Chinese government that failure to fulfil the obligations provided in the protocol will entail grave consequences. The policy of the United States presents an obstacle in the way of delivering a joint note to China on the matter, and the present difficulty is generally attributed to the encouragement given the Chinese by the United States government's endorsement of their arguments. The Chinese are content to await developments, believing that the powers will find it so difficult to agree on a course of action that the present deadlock will be prolonged indefinitely.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The State Department has been officially advised through its fiscal agents in China that the second instalment of the Chinese indemnity fund, which falls due tomorrow, must be in silver, or rather on a silver basis. This result has been anticipated and the department more than a month ago was advised unofficially of what would happen. The first instalment of the indemnity, which was due July 1, was also paid on a silver basis, the nations receiving the money reserving the right to reclaim the difference between the silver and gold bases. Before tomorrow the department will have placed to its credit $496,098, for it has without hesitation decided to accept the payment on the basis proposed. The Chinese tael, which was the basis of the calculation of indemnity, was worth 74 cents at the time the agreement was signed at Pekin. It is now worth 61 cents. The impression here prevails among persons who have taken part in the settlements, that the indemnities demanded by the powers are far beyond China's ability. She may for a year or two borrow enough money from various international sources to pay the instalments falling due every six months, but in a short time the powers will be compelled at the risk of losing everything, to come to a re-adjustment of the whole indebtedness, either by submitting the case to arbitration at The Hague, which China ardently desires, or by mutual agreement between the creditor nations.

SMALLPOX.

Schooner Grace Is Quarantined at St. John's.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 31.—The supposed chickenpox on board the British schooner Grace, Capt. Strong, which arrived here yesterday from Oporto, proves to be smallpox. Three men of the crew are now ill. The schooner has been quarantined and the authorities are taking every precaution to prevent the spread of the disease.

Late Car Service

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Tonight, New Year's Eve, cars will make late trips; last cars will leave the city for all points at 12.30.

NEW YEAR'S NIGHT

A special car will leave Head street for the city at 2:30 a. m., after the dance to be given at the Barracks.

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ACROSS SAHARA.

French Scientists to Make Balloon Experiments.

Paris, Dec. 31.—MM. de Bureaux and Castillon de Saint Victor embarked at Marseilles today for Tunis, where they propose to send up two small balloons for the purpose of ascertaining whether the winds which prevail in winter will carry the airships across the Sahara desert. If this experiment is successful, the two explorers propose to attempt to cross the unexplored portion of the desert in a balloon. This plan receives the support of the French government, which supplies the balloons. The airships to be used first are furnished with automatic registering instruments and carry requests written in several languages asking the finders to return them to the authorities at Tunis. Major Marchand, of Fashoda fame, is to meet the explorers at Cabes, from which point the two balloons will be sent off.

OFFENDERS PARDONED

And Honors Granted to Commemorate Indian Durbar.

Delhi, India, Dec. 31.—In commemoration of the coronation Durbar, orders have been issued to release certain classes of military offenders, and 16,188 prisoners who are in civil jails.

London, Dec. 31.—Among the Durbar honors, Lady Curzon of Keddleston gets the Kaiser-I-Hind (Emperor of India) gold medal for public services in India. Lord Curzon is not included in the honor list, which is very long and of little interest outside Anglo-Indian circles. Decorations and orders are lavished on the Indian princes, members of the governmental departments and naval and military officers. Lord George Hamilton, the Indian secretary, is made a Knight, Grand Commander of the Star of India.

RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS.

Mr. Parkin Discusses the Question With United States Universities.

New York, Dec. 31.—The fourth annual conference of the Association of American Universities was concluded today. Mr. G. R. Parkin, formerly of Upper Canada College, representing the trustees of the Cecil Rhodes scholarship fund, explained the intended operation of the fund. He desired suggestions from the association as to the means for carrying out the ideas of Mr. Rhodes. The matter was referred to the executive committee, and that committee will confer with him.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Broke the Record.—Thomas Alexander, truck and dryman, has succeeded in breaking the record for piano-moving in one month, having transferred 101 from Waitt's music store, and for other people.

New Year's Greeting.—Speyside Cafe, Sons of Scotland, have issued a pretty New Year's card, which they are distributing to their friends, among whom the chief, John Black, kindly included the Colonist.

New Year's Cheer.—The newsroom staff of the Colonist return thanks to Messrs. Mowat & Wallace for their kindly remembrance on New Year's eve, which was very much appreciated by the midnight toilers.

Firemen Entertain.—The members of No. 4 company, Victoria West fire hall, are giving an entertainment to the members of the fire brigade and their friends. It will consist of a concert, followed by a dance and a bountiful spread. These entertainments are for the purpose of creating a good feeling, and also to promote social gatherings of the firemen.

NEW YEAR'S WISHES.

Mayor of Royal City Sends Seasonable Greetings.

Mayor Hayward yesterday received the following letter from Mayor Keary of Westminster:

New Westminster, B. C., Dec. 31.

Dear Mr. Mayor,—On behalf of the citizens of New Westminster, permit me to wish you and yours, and through you, the citizens of Victoria, our earnest, sincere and heartfelt wishes for a bright, happy, and prosperous New Year.

Yours faithfully,
W. H. KEARY,
Mayor.

Mayor Hayward, in answer to a telegram of greeting to Mayor Manson of Nanaimo, received the following despatch last night:

Nanaimo, Dec. 31.—Accept my sincere thanks for your kind greetings, which I heartily reciprocate.

W. MANSON,
Mayor.

SWANSON SENTENCED.

Rossland, Dec. 31.—Peter Swanson, convicted of having gold bearing matte, stolen from the Northport smelter, in his possession, was today sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment in the provincial jail at Nelson, whence he will be removed tomorrow. Witnesses from Northport were called to establish his former good reputation, and various pleas for leniency were made to the court, including one from John H. MacKenzie, general manager of the Northport Smelting Company. The court said that had it not been for this, the sentence would have been much heavier.

Gave New Year Hearty Welcome

Victoria Turns Loose to Usher In Nineteen Hundred and Three.

Watch Night Services Held--Official Receptions This Afternoon.

Victoria gave 1903 a very hearty welcome. No one residing within the corporate limits of the city was permitted to forget that the old year was dying. Every instrument which could be utilized to proclaim the fact was apparently pressed into service and made to give discordant welcome to the infant year.

The streets became crowded with New Year parades early in the evening, and, as the weather was fine, many participated in the demonstration, who otherwise would have remained at home. Perhaps the outburst of enthusiasm yesterday was similar to what has occurred for the last half dozen years; but it did not appear so to the casual observer—or, rather, listener. One wondered where all the horns came from. They were in evidence everywhere. The small boy started the music going early in the evening, and, as the night wore on, he was joined by a constantly increasing army of assistants, who succeeded in creating a din which would satisfy the most fastidious admirer of a hearty welcome to the New Year. Many of the "musical" instruments were in the hands of members of the fair sex, who entered into the fun with the greatest enthusiasm; and the merriment of the occasion was added to greatly when one of these jolly roysterers would playfully blow an ear-splitting blast in the ear of a passing pedestrian.

To add to the strenuousness of the demonstration, fire-crackers were exploded in considerable quantity, skyrockets sent scooting through the air, and bombs exploded. At 11 o'clock a band was pressed into service to add to the hilariousness; and, as the witching hour of midnight approached, the noise grew in intensity. The climax was reached when the clock struck 12, and young 1903 stepped into the shoes vacated by 1902—then Bedlam broke loose indeed. Those who thought that the horn-blowers had exhausted their wind were doomed to disappointment. They resumed their task with renewed vigor, drums beat, cannon boomed, bands played and hand clasped hand, as good wishes for success for the year were exchanged.

Nineteen Hundred and Three had arrived.

Watch-night services were held in St. James' church, James Bay, at the City Mission, Yates street, and at the Salvation Army barracks. They were all well attended.

The Senior and Excelsior leagues of the Metropolitan church celebrated the advent of the New Year by holding a public reception in the school room, which had been very prettily decorated for the occasion. Instrumental selections were furnished throughout the evening by the Sunday school orchestra, while games were provided for the younger visitors. Refreshments were also served. The attendance was very good.

The Japanese boys celebrated New Year's Eve at the Chinese Girls' Home.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor will hold a reception at Government House today from 3 to 6 p. m. Mayor Hayward will welcome visitors at his residence from 3 to 6 p. m.

PRINCESS CHIC IS CAPTIVATING

Exceptionally Pleasing Performance at the Victoria Theatre Last Night.

"Princess Chic," Kirk La Shelle and Julian Edwards' romantic comic opera, drew a large audience at the Victoria theatre last night and delighted every individual auditor. The plot of the opera is laid in the days of Louis XI. of France, a period at which men held life cheaply, when weighed in the balance against the smile of a pretty woman, and is briefly as follows:

The Princess Chic, the most beautiful woman of her province, a daring swordswoman and devoted to the hunt, in spirit of adventure disguises herself as her own envoy and visits Charles the Bold, duke of Burgundy, incidentally to warn him of the treacherous intents the King, Louis XI., has towards the duke's possession, and furthermore, to ascertain in what light the duke regards herself. Charles the Bold, however, is a man of war and chase, and has the reputation of being unsusceptible to women's charms. The princess is piqued by this and resolves to win him by strategy. She affects another disguise, that of a peasant girl, and hires two ruffians to set upon her at the duke's gate. Of course the duke rescues her, is enamored of her lowly beauty and shows her every attention. At this point the King is announced, and to carry out her scheme of unmasking his royal highness, it is necessary for the princess to get back into the uniform of the envoy again. She goes into the room assigned to her as a peasant girl to hide the skirts. The duke discovers her in male attire leaving the room of his peasant sweetheart, and a duel with swords takes place, interrupted by the announcement that the peasant girl has disappeared. For making away with the girl, the duke casts the envoy into prison. The rest of the story involves the escape of the envoy, who then assumes the royal robes of the princess to appear before the duke, who finding that the envoy, the peasant girl and the Princess Chic are all one, lays his heart and his possessions at her feet.

The story affords ample opportunity for dramatic action, and the clever librettist has made the most of it in the way of bright dialogue, effective scenery and beautiful costuming. There is not a dull moment in the opera, all is action, life and merriment.

"Princess Chic," as interpreted by Vera Michelena, is a character of charming versatility, in which that young lady did justice to a most difficult part. She comes from a family of famous singers—inheriting her voice and her art—her father being the famous Fernando Michelena, who sang in grand opera with some of the most prominent artists of bygone days, and is now conducting the Michelena Conservatory in San Francisco. Her charm of person, her graceful carriage and, above all, her sweet voice, captivated her auditors last night and made her success a triumph. Miss Michelena had able support in the members of the company, who one and all contributed to a perfect performance.

Walter A. Lawrence, handsome, debonair and musical, made an ideal "Charles the Bold of Burgundy," his rich singing baritone being most effective. Walter Wheeler, a clear and strong tenor, as the "Marquis de Claremont," did full justice to his score, and in the duet with "Estelle," Miss Edna Floyd, roused the audience to enthusiasm.

The fun of the opera is not neglected. Messrs. Huff, Bailey, Miron and Mahar contributing that element so liberally as to keep the auditors in a continual state of merriment. Mr. Miron, who, by the way, is a Canayen qui vient de Joliette, was especially good, his deep, sonorous voice, combined with a commanding physique, and a natural gift of comedy, made his performance perfect.

The scenery of the opera is historically correct, rich and appropriate, the costumes are costly and brilliant, and the chorus perfectly trained, pretty and musical beyond criticism.

Nothing better than "Princess Chic" has been seen at the Victoria during the season, and those who wish to spend a happy New Year's day, are strongly advised to attend today's matinee or the evening performance.

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"KEY MONEY" IN LONDON.

A Curious Phase of London's Invasion by Foreign Jews.

"Key money" in the East End of London is the flagrant sign of overcrowding. It is also an engine devised by the enterprising foreign Jew to push out a native population.

Most is heard of it in Stepney. In the window of one of the mere 5 per cent. of houses tenanted still by Gentiles in that borough, the recent announcement, "This house to let; no key money; no Jews need apply," was like the last ditch to an invading army.

It meant that some poor tenant had refused £3 or £4, not so much to please the landlord—whom acceptance of the offer could not bind—as to satisfy a patriotic idea.

Key money is a consideration paid to an outgoing tenant by a would-be successor who wants to have the first word with the owner of the dwelling. If it is accepted, he goes to that fortunate person and says, in more or less broken English: "I have bought the key of your house. I will give you 17s. a week." The landlord does not trouble to explain that the key was not the tenant's to sell; he generally says, "I'll take 18s." and gets that after the necessary haggling. The Jew—it is always a pale, overworked Jew—knows quite well, in fact, that his purchase of the key was without legal effect.

Rents are rising fast in Stepney and in all the poor residential streets near the city. If Jewish tenants are appearing in streets further afield, it is only because they cannot now find houseroom in the business heart of London.

This eagerness to pay high rents, seeing that they are a thrifty race, is excellent proof of the ease with which they make a living where the native population could not. They pay them regularly and without fail. Afterward they buy the houses, put a new coat of paint on them, and raise the rents still higher to their co-religionists coming later. Key money ten years ago for a 16s. house was half a crown. It is now never less than £2. That is a sum which makes it worth the while of a Gentile with a few sticks of furniture to think about looking for another house.

If he takes the money, it is not evident at first sight why the original East Ender should feel aggrieved. He does. What he says is that "these 'Ebrew Jews can't be satisfied without driving him out of 'ouse and 'ome."

The fact is that their ability to do this, and not the key money, is his grievance. Key money is the hateful sop thrown to him as he quits.

Besides, English house-owners have of late years accepted the situation in ever-increasing numbers, and sold out; whereupon their tenants have had to leave without any key-money whatever. "No Jews need apply" means only, in many cases, that the landlord will not countenance key money because he hopes to put the equivalent of it in his own pocket at one transaction. He refuses Jewish tenants and waits for a Jewish purchaser.

On the other hand, a few good-natured landlords will neither let nor sell over the heads of old tenants. In one row of Stepney houses, where the occupiers are all English, two widows have lived 28 and 34 years respectively. The landlord says they shall die there. He has not raised his rents a penny.

House agents are strangely sympathetic to this attitude. One reason may be that the Jewish landlord is his own rent collector.

It may seem curious that feeling should be stronger on this question of key money than on that of industrial competition. But the Jew is not so much an industrial competitor as a merchant. He lands at Blackwall without a word of English, and next morning you see him in some market street with a bundle of handkerchiefs and the word "penny." He gets rich without anyone quite knowing how his competition pinches.

The East Ender does not take him light-heartedly as a neighbor. He is undesirable in that capacity till Anglicized.

What makes this now a burning question is that the skirts of the Jewish area are being spread more rapidly than ever.—London Mail.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Matter of the Estate of Alexander James McLellan, deceased, late of Victoria, B. C.

Take notice that probate of the will of Alexander James McLellan, dated the 21st day of August, 1894, who died at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, on the 27th day of November, 1902, was granted on the 30th day of December, 1902, to Carrie McLellan, the executrix therein named.

And take notice that, pursuant to the Trustees' and Executors' Act, all creditors and others having claims against the estate are requested to send by post or deliver to the executrix or to the undersigned on or before the 1st day of February, 1903, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have notice, and that the said executrix will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by her at the time of such distribution.

Dated at Victoria this 31st day of December, 1902.

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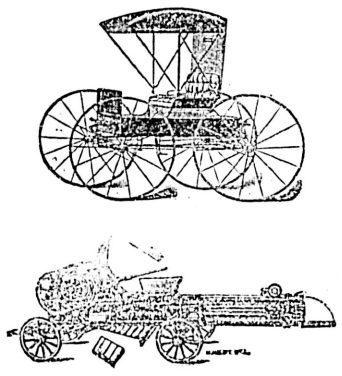

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NOTICE.

The adjourned sale of lands for unpaid taxes in the Cowichan District will be held at the Court House, Duncan, on the 7th day of January, 1903, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, when all lands remaining unsold at the previous Tax Sale will be again offered for sale, in terms of section 90 of the Assessment Act.

JAMES MAITLAND-DOUGALL,
Assessor.

Duncan, 18th December, 1902.

NOTICE!

The undersigned is authorized to state for general information, that His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor will hold a reception at Government House on New Year's Day between the hours of 3 and 6 in the afternoon.

By Command,
R. B. POWELL,
Private Secretary.

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News of the Waterfront

Steamers To Sail and Due at the Outer Wharf Today.

New Quarantine Regulations.... Princess Victoria Will Soon Leave Tyne.

Three steamers are to sail tonight from Turner-Beeton's wharf—the Amur, Capt. Gosse, for Skagway; the Tees, Capt. Hughes, for Naas, Bella Coola and way ports and the steamer Queen City, Capt. Townsend, for Ahousett and way ports on the Vancouver Island Coast. The Amur will have a small cargo, unless more freight is sent down today, and the Tees and Queen City will both have average cargoes for this season. The former will make a special trip to Bella Coola to land C. W. D. Clifford, W. Williscroft and party. Two steamers are due, the steamer Cottage City of the Pacific Coast S. S. company, from Skagway, and the China Mutual liner Moyune, which is due from Liverpool via the Orient, with general cargo from the Orient, she being the fifth large Oriental liner in port during the week.

NEW REGULATIONS.

Made by Quarantine Officials Against San Francisco Liners.

Dr. A. T. Watt, superintendent of the B. C. Quarantines, has given notice of the establishment of new quarantine regulations on account of the epidemic of bubonic plague at San Francisco. With the arrival of the steamer Umatilla on Sunday from San Francisco the regulations will be enforced for the first time. In a general notice issued to masters of vessels, collectors and others, the superintendent of quarantines, says:

Information, believed to be well founded, has reached the Public Health Department to the effect that bubonic plague in San Francisco is assuming a more serious aspect and that cases of the pneumonic, as well as several cases of the bubonic, type of the disease have recently occurred. Moreover, it is stated that the bacillus of the disease has been found in rats that have died recently within that city.

These developments in the history of the disease in San Francisco greatly increase the danger of its introduction on board vessels. I have been directed, therefore, to communicate with the owners or agents of the various steamers plying between San Francisco and Canadian ports, earnestly recommending the use at San Francisco of funnels upon their mooring lines and the withdrawal at night of all gang planks, except one guarded one, so as to present the coming on board of rats at the port of departure.

The department expects that similar precautions will be taken at ports of arrival in British Columbia, so as to prevent the landing of any rats from vessels at these ports; and instructions are hereby given that masters of vessels order the carrying out of these precautions, and customs officers are hereby enjoined to see that the same are properly carried out while vessels from San Francisco remain alongside any wharf whereon they are on duty.

THE NEW FERRY.

Will Leave the Tyne Shortly For Victoria.

The engines and boilers of the new C. P. N. steamer Princess Victoria have been installed, and within a week the twin-screws of the steamer will have been turned over. Such is the information conveyed in private advices received today from the yards of Messrs. Swan & Hunter, at Wallsend-on-Tyne, where the new vessel is under construction.

It is fully expected that the Princess Victoria will be able to fulfil her contract speed, which is eighteen and a half knots per hour. All tests having been made, the Princess Victoria will leave the Tyne on her long run around the Horn to Victoria on or about January 15. It is expected that fuly 60 days will elapse before the vessel reaches this, her home port. Upon her arrival her upper works will be built and placed in position here, and she will aso be finished by the painters and decorators, both inside and outside.

Capt. Cooper, who brought the steamer Princess May to Vancouver from the Coast of China, will command the Princess Victoria on her voyage from England. Her officers will nearly all be men who have at various times sailed on the Empresses.

THE CLOSED PORT.

Of Nome to Be Opened to Trade at Last

There is a strong probability that Nome will soon be made a sub-port of entry by the Treasury Department, which will permit foreign ships to engage in the business of Western Alaska, says the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. For two days last week James H. Causten, special deputy collector of customs at Sitka, was in the city interviewing shipping men as to their opinions of such action by the department, and while not all were favorably impressed a majority believed that it would not be harmful to American shipping interests.

At the present time Nome is not an open port and ships of foreign register cannot enter. St. Michael is the nearest port in that section. This has been due mainly to the protests of the American steamship lines against foreign ships engaging in that trade. The Treasury Department has respected their wishes in the matter, and Nome has remained closed.

However, within the past two years, it is said, the American shipping has secured well in hand the trade of the extreme Northwestern part of Alaska and at the present time much of the objection to the opening of a port has been eradicated.

Mr. Causten, after the holidays, will return to Sitka, where he will report to Collector Jarvis the opinions of the shipping interests here.

ROUGH PASSAGES.

Many Vessels Suffer in North Pacific Gales.

Heavy Southwest gales, accompanied by a terrifically high sea, have been existing on the North Pacific during the past two weeks. The weather was especially severe in the vicinity of Tatoosh and the Straits, and the heavy steel cable connecting the island with the mainland was snapped like a pipestem. Until the wire is repaired all messages concerning shipping at that point must come from Neah Bay. The fleet of vessels reaching the Sound within the past day or two report encountering the worst weather of the year. The Norwegian bark Excelsior, the schooner Alvena, schooner King Cyrus, ship Spartan, bark C. D. Bryant, steamer Rainier, steamship Lyra, schooner John G. North, barkentine Thomas P. Emigh have all come in much the worse from their hard experience with the elements.

Perhaps the trip of the Emigh, Capt. Ipsen, was as thrilling as any. The vessel was eighteen days from San Francisco, after the most tempestous voyage in all her history. She made a smart passage up the Coast, but off Cape Flattery she caught it hot and heavy. Three times she made the entrance of the Straits and was as often blown out to sea again. One week ago the barkentine encountered an unusually terrific gale, followed by a Sou-easter on Christmas Day. A heavy sea, accompanied by snow, sleet and lightning, played from the yard ends, seas swept the vessel from end to end and life aboard was anything but a pleasure. The craft was driven far off the Vancouver Coast, and there reports sighting a big ship battling with the gale and in dangerous proximity to the shore. Several other vessels were brought to view, but so far as known no accidents occurred.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Cottage City reached port late last night from the North after a stormy passage. She had few passengers. The steamer left for Seattle early this morning.

SPORTING NOTES

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

The Rugby match between the Fernwoods and Victoria Intermediates has been declared off and general practice has been ordered for the Victorias. Two teams will be picked from the Seniors, Intermediates and Juniors. The game will start at 10 a. m. this morning at the Caledonia grounds.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—A Telegram cable says: The visit of the Canadian football team is creating no stir whatever in football circles here, and criticisms of the London newspapers are merely made from reports of journals published at places where games are played. The Canadians have yet to meet the most formidable teams in England and Wales and are unlikely to prove superior to them.

The Victoria Seniors have arranged a match for Saturday afternoon with the R. A. at the Caledonia grounds. This will be the last practice match the Victoria's will have before they meet the Vancouver team on the 10th. A great deal of interest will be taken in this game, as in all probability the team that oppose the soldiers on Saturday will be elected to play in the Terminal City. The Soldiers' motto is "never say die," and the people who have enough energy to take the trouble to witness the game will see the motto fully illustrated on the field.

BASKETBALL.

One of the most exciting games of basketball this season will take place at the Drill hall next Saturday evening. The J. B. A. A.'s have not been defeated so far, and the Fernwoods were by the Oakland team, which was easily put down by the J. B. A. A. The game is being looked forward to with the keenest interest, as either of these two will probably be the champions. The teams are as follows:

James Bay—Guards, Pettingell and Finlayson; centre, Wilson Smith; forwards, Jesse and Belyea.

Fernwood—Guards, Shotbolt and W. Peden; centre, Dalby; forwards, R. Peden and Marchant.

The Fernwood Intermediate basketball team managed to defeat the Victoria Wests on Tuesday evening at the foresters hall, at Spring Ridge by a score of 6 to 4. The play was very fast from start to finish.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

All members of the Columbia association football club are earnestly requested to turn out to practice on Beacon Hill at 10.30 p. m. this morning.

THE HUNT.

The Victoria Hunt club will meet at Hillside avenue at 11 o'clock p. m. this morning. The run will be over the Cedar Hill country.

PING-PONG.

The pingpong committee of the Victoria Cricket club have decided to include gentlemen's doubles in the events. The prizes are to be seen at Waitt's music store on Government street. Entries will be received up to Saturday. Light refresments will be served.

HOCKEY.

This is what the Vancouver Ledger says about the ladies hockey match on Tuesday:

First Half—After the bully-off, the puck was carried with a rush to the Vancouver goal. Miss Watts, outside right, made a splendid check, and finding an open field before her, made a dashing run. She reached the opposing full backs, and when threatened passed to Miss Bessie Lawson on the left wing, who carried the puck right up to the Victoria goal, where it hovered for some minutes, the red and white blouses massing as the visiting players exerted their utmost to turn back the determined onslaught of their opponents. Miss Nason and Miss Eva Shrapnel at last found an outlet and made a fine run over the half line where they were checked by Miss Babington, who, after some trundling, shot to Miss Bessie Lawson, Miss M. Nason then intercepted the gutta percha, and despite all attempts to check her won much applause by her brilliant run to Vancouver's three-quarter' line. Mrs. Creighton had an opportunity, but did not take advantage of it, when the Vancouver players managed to transfer the play to their opponents' territory. Miss Nason, who was very much in evidence with her constant dashes and admirable shots, again won applause by a long dribble down the field, her speedy running enabling her to pass the attempted checking with comparative ease. The play was now shifting to the Vancouver goal, and Miss Clarke was given a chance to score after a well directed centre shot by Miss M. Wollaston. She made a good shot but the Vancouver backs relieved the situation, the Misses Babington, E. Burpee and Bowell putting in some very effective work. Miss Bessie Lawson then got a pass from Miss Dunn and made a splendid sprint up the West side of field, but she lost the puck to Miss Winnie Wilson, who retaliated by making a rush in the opposite direction on the Eastern line. Miss Wilson centred, but Mrs. Creighton intercepted, and the play was again transferred to Victoria territory. A deliberate struggle ensued in front of the Victoria goal, the white blouses making every effort to break the impenetrable wall of red blouses that massed in front of their assaulted goal. The sticks clashed, the Vancouver players closing in from every direction, but after an exciting interval during which it seemed that the Victoria goal could not possibly escape the furious onslaught, the puck emerged. Miss Winnie Wilson again distinguished herself by a run down the field, and then the Vancouver goal became the danger point. Miss Ethel Burpee performed wonders for her side at this juncture, and soon after Miss Clarke made a magnificent shot to Miss Nason at centre, who carried the sphere to the 25-yard line. The Vancouver back again were equal to the emergency, and the situation was reversed by Victoria being put on the defensive. Miss Gibson, the Victoria goal-keeper, took a desperate chance by striking with her stick instead of stopping with her hands or feet, but she luckily made connections with the fine shot on goal by Miss Watts. For the rest of the first half, no striking individual plays were made, both sides showing signs of exhaustion due to the hot pace which had been maintained from the start. Miss Carr played splendidly just before the whistle sounded for half time, with Vancouver pressing hard on Victoria's goal.

Second Half.—On the bully-off Miss Taylor succeeded in striking the ball into the territory of her opponents, but Miss Alice Futcher, inside left, made a fine dribble, eluding her checks for time, but finally losing to Miss Bessie Lawson, who made one of her dashes up the line. She could not pass Miss Eva Shrapnel, who made a fine stop and passed to Miss Nason, who got in another good run, passing to Miss Alice Futcher, the inside left. Miss Futcher made a series of short dashes, losing and gaining the sphere to her opponents, and eventually passing to Miss Winnie Wilson. Then ensued some splendid shots on goal by Misses Edith Shrapnel and Miss Futcher, but Miss Bauer as frequently blocked the puck. There was a grand exhibition of passing by Vancouver, in which the Misses Burpee, Lawson, Watts, Dunn and Taylor participated. Miss Nason, for Victoria, and Miss Bessie Lawson in turn made some fine runs, the play becoming slightly erratic, and there being little combination work on either side. Vancouver showed signs of weakening, for Victoria began to press the home goal, and after repeated shots, the visitors closed in and Miss Nason succeeded in getting it through. A few Victoria rooters jubilated over this turn of events. Upon the resumption of play Miss Watts got the puck and did fine work. The home eleven had evidently braced up and played with exceptional spirit. Miss Eva Shrapnel then became the centre of attention by a fine stop and a good run. She passed to Miss Winnie Wilson, who shot accurately, but Miss Bauer stopped it and made a long strike to Miss Bessie Lawson, who made the play of the day, eluding every attempt to check her brilliant run. She was followed up by the entire home eleven, who attacked the Victoria goal with great determination, and a mighty cheer went up when Miss Bessie Lawson put the puck through for Vancouver and tied the score. This good fortune acted like a tonic on the home players, and they tried desperately to follow up with another goal, but Victoria retaliated by attacking the Vancouver goal. Miss Bauer again came to the rescue of her team. Play became scattered until the Victoria goal was threatened, Miss M. Gibson proving a source of strength by her fine goal work. The puck, after some loose playing, was gathered in by Miss Nason and followed by the right and left wings, they charged upon the Vancouver goal, Miss Nason scoring. There was a brief protest by Vancouver on the claim that Victoria forwards had been off-side, but the referee allowed the goal, and the score was now 2 to 1 in favor of the visitors. For the balance of half time Vancouver pressed continually on Victoria's goal, and notwithstanding fine playing by the Misses Babington, Watts, Taylor and Dunn, they failed to tie the score, Victoria thus winning a hard-fought contest by two goals to one.

Mr. P. J. Schallcross and Mr. Beecher Tye were the referees.

CURLING.

Halifax, Dec. 31.—Scottish curlers were defeated in the first match in Canada this morning by two rinks of Truro curlers at Halifax curling rink, by a score of ten to none, and thirteen to nine respectively.

GOLF.

The Victoria Golf club has arranged a series of monthly medal competitions. The first starts on Saturday at the Oak Bay links, and no doubt if the weather is fine a good number of entries will be looked for.

BUSINESS POINTER

The dainty and handsome slippers, the comfortable house slippers, in all sizes and prices, suitable for New Year's gifts, may be had at any of the Paterson Shoe Co.'s stores in great abundance, and variety.

A solid foundation whereon to stand, is the situation to which every sensible man and woman, whether business or otherwise, should aspire, especially at the beginning of the New Year. This being accomplished, the task of directing your course through the sea of strife and battle during the year that you have just begun, will be found to be much more easy and your chances of success much greater, by using thought enough to buy your boots and shoes of Jas. Maynard, Oddfellows' block, Douglas street, you may depend on your foundation being almost as solid as the rock of Gibraltar, and at the same time be safeguarded against any emergent inclemencies.

The only thing lacking in the illustration of the man in new hat and suit of clothes in the advertisement of W. & J. Wilson, on 2nd page of this paper, is that the bottom of the pants want two good wide rolls in them, and the hat should be a soft foreand-aft, or some other soft material, that it might the better serve as a receptical for fish-hooks and flies, which would give its owner carte blanche for the Elysian fields and beautiful parks of that beautiful but unfortunate district where the Kowesare-Itchin', ha! ha!

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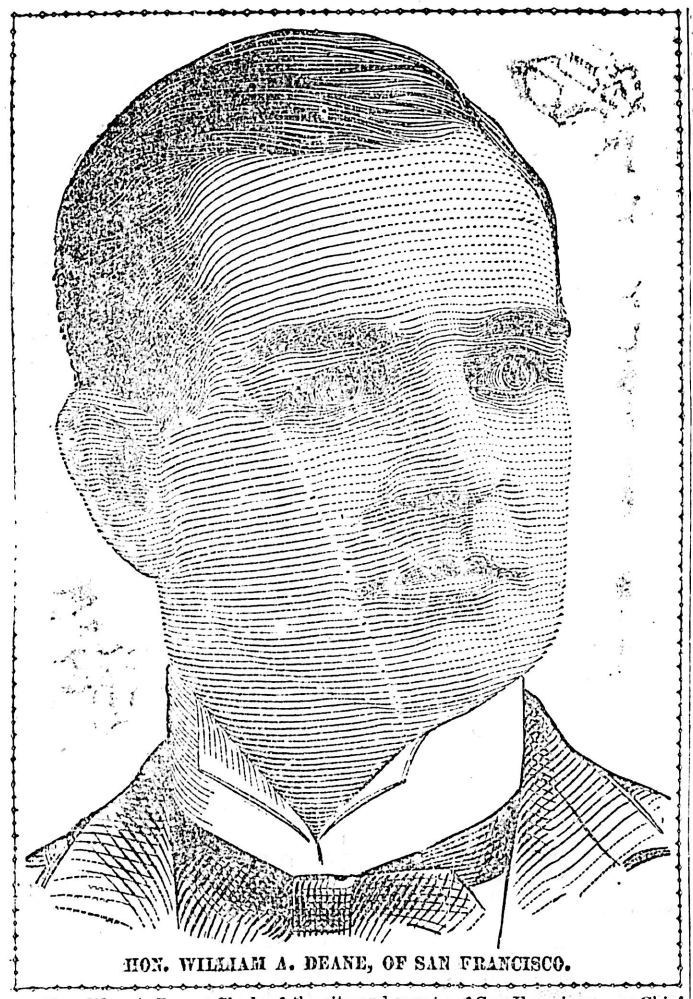
In another column of this paper, Watson & Hall extend New Year's Greetings to their many friends and patrons, thanking them for many past favors, and hope to merit a fair share of the patronage in the future.

THE POPULAR COUNTY CLERK OF THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO.



HON. WILLIAM A. DEANE, OF SAN FRANCISCO.

Hon. Wm. A. Deane, Clerk of the city and county of San Francisco, was Chief Deputy in the office of his predecessor during the latter part of his term. He is a Native Son, having been born and raised in the city of San Francisco, and has for many years been prominently identified with the Order of Native Sons of the Golden West, as well as other fraternal organizations. He is an exceptionally popular young man, socially and politically also, as evidenced by the ballots cast at the late election, he having defeated his opponent for the office of County Clerk by nearly 8,000 votes.

In a letter written January 28, 1899, from San Francisco, to Dr. Hartman, Mr. Deane has the following to say of Peruna:

The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.

Gentlemen:—"I would not be without Peruna, as I have found it to be the best remedy for catarrhal complaints that I have ever used. I have tried most all of the so-called catarrh remedies advertised, and can conscientiously say that of all the remedies for catarrhal complaints recommended to me none have been so beneficial as Peruna."—WILLIAM A. DEANE.

CATARRH assumes different phases in different seasons of the year. There is, therefore, four quite well-marked varieties of catarrh. Winter catarrh, spring catarrh, summer catarrh, and autumn catarrh. In each of these varieties different organs seem to be the principal seat of the catarrh.

In the winter the catarrh is more frequent in the head, throat and respiratory organs. In the spring the catarrh seems to chiefly affect the stomach and nervous system. In the summer the bowels suffer the oftenest; while in the autumn the liver and kidneys seem to be particularly subject to the ravages of catarrh.

Of course it is not meant by this that catarrh is absolutely confined to these parts of the body during the season to which we have assigned them. Catarrh may attack any organ in any season of the year, but the liabilities are so much greater for catarrh to attack particulr organs in certain seasons that these four distinct varieties have become recognized.

Mr. Robert Douglas, Homeopathic Specialist, cor. 6th and F Sts., N. W., Washington, D. C., in a recent letter to the Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, O., has the following to say concerning their noted catarrh remedy, Peruna:

"I have been a practicing physician for some years, during which time I have administered Peruna to a number of my patients for colds, catarrh and general debility with great benefit to them. I have paid particular attention to its effects, and I have absolute confidence in its curative qualities, and have no hesitation in giving it a most emphatic endorsement."

Hon. Clement M. Hammond is one of the best known newspaper men in New York City. He was for years editor of one of the principal papers in Hartford, Conn., later was prominently connected with the New York Recorder and New York World. He has traveled extensively and is known all over the United States for his talent as a newspaper man. Writing to The Peruna Medicine Co., he says:

Hon. C. M. Hammond

"For about six years I have had trouble every fall and winter with my voice. At times it has extended to my bronchial tubes and lungs. I think all this trouble came from whooping cough, which I had when I was about twelve years old, and which left me with catarrh. Since I have taken Peruna, my voice has been clearer than in over two years, all of which I am willing to testify to." Mr. Hammond's address is "The Arlington," 64 Montague street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Peruna is an internal remedy—a scientific remedy for catarrh. It cures catarrh wherever located. Its cures last. Peruna gives strength by stopping waste. By saving the mucus it enriches the blood. By cleansing the mucous membranes it preserves the vital forces.

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NOTICE

Thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for a timber lease of the following described lands: Commencing at a post placed on the right bank of Elk river, Kennedy lake, looking north and about twenty chains south of W. M. Kenyon's 1st cabin, thence up the river twelve hundred chains, and comprising all the timber lands contained in the watershed between these two points, about thirty thousand acres more or less.

V. ST. L. SYMONDS,
Victoria, 22nd December, 1902.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to revise and consolidate the following Ordinances and Acts, viz:—

The Victoria Municipal Ordinance, 1867; the Victoria Municipal Amendment Ordinance, 1869, and all subsequent amending ordinances and acts. The Fire Companies Aid Ordinance, 1869, and all subsequent amending ordinances and acts. The City of Victoria Official Map Act, 1880, and all subsequent amending and consolidating acts.

The Corporation of Victoria Water Works Act, 1873, and all subsequent amending acts. The Water Works Debenture Guarantee Act, 1874, and such sections and provisions of the General Municipal Clauses Act of the Province as relate particularly to the government of the municipality of the City of Victoria. Also to amend the said acts by granting, among other things, to the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria power to pass by-laws for (among other things) any of the purposes or for any of the objects following, i. e., to continue the existing ward system or to abolish the same; to provide, under certain conditions, for the inclusion of outlying districts in the city limits; to limit and define localities in which particular trades or businesses may be carried on; to regulate trades or businesses and the times of closing stores or shops, and to provide for Sunday closing; to prohibit or regulate trading by peddlers, hawkers and petty chapmen; to erect public wharves, and impose and collect tolls for the use thereof; to purchase, construct and operate gas and electric lighting and power and telephone systems; to adopt the existing subdivisions of city lots and to regulate the further subdivisions thereof; to administer oaths and examine witnesses under oath in civic enquiries; to enter into contracts extending over a period of years; to borrow money for specific purposes, giving as security the undertaking and guarantee of the city; to make provision for the placing of telephone, electric and other wires underground; to provide a fund for the insurance of civic buildings and property, and a fund for the superannuation of municipal officials and employees; to license clubs; to prohibit slaughter-houses within the city, or to prohibit and regulate existing slaughter-houses and cow-sheds or stables which may, in the opinion of the Council, be a nuisance; to regulate and prohibit the erection, removal and repairing of buildings and the pulling down of buildings erected, removed or repaired in contravention of any by-law; also to validate the existing by-laws of the city; to make provision for the qualifications of voters, the mode of election to civic offices and the conduct of elections, and the use of voting machines, and to deal with disputed elections and offences at elections, and corrupt practices; to provide for the compulsory ejectment of persons having unlawfully encroached upon the streets or roadways; to provide for the acquisition of additional watersheds and means of increasing the water supply; to provide for the acquisition of railways and tramways, wholly or partially running within the city, and also to provide for such other amendments, powers and authorities as may be necessary or expedient for the public welfare and the government of the city of Victoria.

Dated this fourth day of December, 1902.

J. M. BRADBURN,
Solicitor for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Matter of the Estate of Patrick Murphy, Deceased, late of Victoria, B.C.

Take notice that probate of the will of Patrick Murphy, dated the 4th September 1891, and codicils dated respectively the 14th August, 1894, and the 1st November, 1898, who died at Kelseyville, California, on the 10th day of November, 1902, was this day granted by the Horourable Mr. Justice Irving to Samuel Perry Mills and Joseph Austen Sayward, the executors therein named.

And take notice that pursuant to the Trustee and Executors Act, all creditors and others having claims against the estate are requested to send by post or deliver to the executors or to the undersigned on or before the 3rd day of January, 1903, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the said assets, or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by them at the time of such distribution.

Dated at Victoria this 2nd day of December, 1902.

S. PERRY MILLS,
51 Langley Street,
Victoria, B. C.
Solicitor for the Executors.

Thirty days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease 640 acres of land, situated on Chilcotin River, for grazing purposes. Starting at a stake at the end of R. F. Newton's fence, thence E. 160 chains; thence N. 40 chains; thence W. 160 chains; thence S 40 chains.

H. P. S. BAYLIFF.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia. In the Matter of the Lenora-Mount Sicker Copper Mining Company, Limited, Non-Personal Liability, and in the Matter of the Winding-Up Act and Amending Acts.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Irving has by an order dated the 15th day of December, A. D. 1902, appointed John Samuel Henry Matson of the McGregor Block, in the City of Victoria, to be official Liquidator of the above-named Company.

Dated the 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

B. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE.
Registrar.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that at the next session of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, application will be made by the Vernon & Nelson Telephone Co., for an Act to amend its Act of Incorporation authorizing the company, among other things, to divide its Share Capital into Ordinary and Preferred Shares, to increase its borrowing powers, to purchase, lease, take over or otherwise acquire the property franchises, rights and powers of any other company having similar objects to the said company, and to extend its operations to all parts of the province.

DOUGLAS CREIGHTON,
Secretary of the Co.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia. In the Matter of the Lenora-Mount Sicker Copper Mining Company, Limited, Non-Personal Liability, and in the Matter of the Winding-Up Act and Amending Acts.

The creditors of the above-named Company are required on or before the 14th day of January, A. D. 1903, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts and claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors, if any, to John Samuel Henry Matson of the City of Victoria, the official liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said official liquidator, are by their solicitors to come in and prove their said debts and claims, at the Chambers of the Honourable Mr. Justice Drake, at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Tuesday, the 10th day of February, A. D. 1903, at 11 a. m., at the said Chambers, is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon the debts and claims.

Dated the 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

B. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE.

Thirty days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease 80 acres of pasture land on Chilcotin River, starting from a post near H. P. S. Bayliff's N. E. corner, thence N. 40 chains, thence W. 20 chains, thence S 40 chains, thence E. 20 chains.

R. F. NEWTON.
Chilcotin, Dec. 10, 1902.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within the tract of land bounded on the south by the southern boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway land grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.

No. 883.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

Certificate of Re-incorporation.

I hereby certify that the "Wellington Colliery Company, Limited" (originally incorporated under the "Companies Act, 1878," as the "Union Colliery Company of British Columbia, Limited Liability") has this day been re-incorporated and registered under section 5 of the "Companies Act, 1897," as a Limited Company, with a capital of two million dollars, divided into twenty thousand shares of one hundred ($100) dollars each.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 8th day of December, one thousand nine hundred and two.

[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The following are the objects for which the Company has been incorporated:

(a.) To acquire by purchase, grant, lease, or in any other manner, collieries, mines, mining rights, mineral claims, placer mining claims, quarries, deposits or accumulations of coal, coal oil, petroleum, ores or minerals, precious and base, clay, precious stones and other metals and substances, deposits of guano, nitrates, coprolites or other fertilizers; rivers, water-courses, lakes, water and rights to water, canals, lakes, irrigation works, dams, water-ways and wells, timber leases, pulp leases, timber licenses, timber limits and timber; ships, railways, marine railways, tramways, roads wharves, docks, houses, buildings, mills, easements lands, tenements and hereditaments, machinery, plant and things:

(b.) To hold, improve, manage, develop, sell, lease, mortgage dispose of or otherwise deal with the whole and each and every part of the property of the Company:

(c.) To search for, prospect, explore, mine, win, open, develop and work collieries, mines, minerals, quarries, coal, coal oil, oil wells, ores, minerals and other deposits.

(d.) To carry on the businesses of colliery proprietors mine owners, coke manufacturers, coal dealers, smelters, iron masters, steel converters, tin plate makers, iron founders, miners, prospectors, metallurgists, refiners and manufacturers of oil and other substances from ores, minerals and other natural products, powder manufacturers, telephone, telegraph and electric light, heat and power supply, electricians, engineers, ship builders, shipwrights, brick makers, pulp and paper manufacturers, loggers, lumber merchants, manufacturers of timber, timber growers, saw-mill owners, cannerymen, fisherymen, ship owners, carriers, warehousemen, shippers, exporters, importers, merchants, builders, contractors, farmers, printers, publishers, newspaper proprietors and store-keepers or any one or more of the said businesses from time to time, and to buy, sell, export, manipulate, prepare for the market and deal in merchandise of all kinds:

(e.) To erect, make, maintain and alter dwelling houses, mills, engines and machinery appliances, smelting works, laboratories, work-shops, factories, works and buildings; and to sink, drive, make and use pits, shafts, drifts, adits, courses, air courses and water-courses for working and carrying away mines, minerals and quarries

(f.) To treat, make merchantable, transport and trade in coal, coke, ores, metals, metallic substances and minerals of every description, and the products thereof, and to trade in substances used in getting, reducing, treating or making merchantable coal, coke, ores, metals, metallic substances minerals and precious stones, or in manufacturing products therefrom:

(g.) To manufacture and use as a motive power electricity, gas or steam, and to manufacture or acquire plant, machinery, apparatus and materials of every kind for the production and distribution of electricity and gas; to generate, use or dispose of, supply or distribute electricity or gas for lighting or motive power, or for the separation of metals and ores; and to construct, lay down, establish and carry out cables, wires, lines, accumulators, lamps and works, and to light cities, towns, municipalities, districts, streets, docks, markets, theatres buildings and places, both public and private:

(h.) To build, charter, rent and equip, and to let on hire, steamers, vessels, tugs, barges, boats and other crafts, for the purposes of transporting, carrying or towing passengers, merchandise, goods, timber, logs or other ships or vessels:

(i.) To construct, maintain, establish, carry out, improve, manage, work, control and superintend any railways, roads, ways, tramways, bridges, harbors, docks, marine railways, piers, reservoirs, water-works, supply of water, water-courses, wharves, embankments, irrigation works, dams, hydraulic works, telegraphs, telephones, saw-mills, canneries, smelting works, furnaces, factories, warehouses, hotels, viaducts, stores, shops and other works and conveniences:

(j.) To apply for and acquire from any Sovereign, State or Authority, supreme, local or otherwise, any concessions, privileges, monopolies, charters, grants, decrees, rights, powers and privileges, and to work, develop, carry out, exercise and turn to account the same:

(k.) To develop the resources of and turn to account any lands, or any rights over or connected with lands, belonging to or in which the Company is interested, and in particular by laying out and establishing towns and settlements, clearing, draining, fencing, planting, cultivating, building, improving, farming, irrigating, grazing, planting oyster beds, improving and developing fisheries and promoting immigration:

(l.) To grant licences and other special rights, whether as regards the carrying on of any particular trade or business, or the use of any invention or process, or the growth, preparation, manufacture or sale or any particular article, or as regards any of these operations or matters, and that in perpetuity or for a term of years:

(m.) To promote the establishment, carrying on and development of trades and businesses of all kinds within any lands or places in which the Company is interested, and to subsidize, grant special rights to, or otherwise assist, support, protect, and encourage all persons and companies engaged or proposing to engage therein:

(n.) To establish and support or aid in the establishment and support of associations, institutions, funds, trusts, and conveniences calculated to benefit employees or ex-employees of the Company, or the dependents or connections of such persons, and to grant pensions and allowances, and to make payments towards insurance, and to subscribe or guarantee money for charitable or benevolent objects, or for any exhibition, or for any public, general, or useful object:

(o.) To enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, union of interests, reciprocal concession or co-operation with any company, partnership, or person, and either in perpetuity or otherwise:

(p.) To lend or advance money, and to issue, place, acquire, hold, sell and deal in any stocks, debentures, bonds, shares or securities of any government, sovereign, state or company:

(q.) To take, purchase, or acquire the good-will of, or the whole, or any interest, or any shares in any company, undertaking, trade or business of a character similar to any undertaking, trade or business which this Company is authorized to carry on, or which may directly or indirectly benefit this Company:

(r.) To issue shares as fully or partly paid up for property or rights acquired by the Company, or for work done or services of any kind rendered to or on behalf of the Company, or for any valuable consideration besides the actual payment of cash:

(s.) To borrow, or raise or secure the payment of money in such manner as the Company shall think fit on security of the undertaking and assets of the Company or any part thereof, and to make and issue mortgages, debentures, debenture stock, perpetual or otherwise, charged upon all or any of the Company's property and assets (both present and future), including its uncalled capital, and to redeem and pay off any such securities:

(t.) To draw, make, accept, indorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading, warrants, debenture and other negotiable or transferable instruments:

(u.) To promote any company or companies for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property or liabilities of the Company, or for any other purpose which may seem, directly or indirectly, calculated to benefit this Company:

(v.) To apply for and obtain any Act of Parliament or of the Legislature, or any provisional order, charter, authority, power, or privilege for any purpose which may seem expedient:

(w.) To distribute any of the property of the Company among the members in specie:

(x.) To do all or any of the things herein mentioned as principal, agent, contractor, or otherwise, and by or through trustees, agents, or otherwise, either alone or in conjunction with others, and to undertake and execute any trusts, the undertaking whereof may seem desirable, and either gratuitously or otherwise:

(y.) To sell or dispose of the whole of the undertaking or assets of the company, or any part or parts thereof, for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures, or securities of any other company:

(z.) Generally to undertake and carry out any operations or transactions whatsoever which may be lawfully undertaken and carried out by capitalists, and which the company may think it expedient to undertake and carry out, and to do all such things as are incidental or as the company may think conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

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THE NEW YEAR.

The year which has just come to an end has been a wonderful year for Canada. It has been the greatest of a series of wonderful years in which Canada has shown an increasing realization of her commanding position and destiny. Great industrial activity and swelling totals of both foreign and domestic trade have been joined to abundant harvests, and every evidence of increased prosperity among all classes of the community. There is fortunately no reason to anticipate a check in the tide of prosperity during the coming year. In fact, so far as we in British Columbia are specially concerned, there is every reason to expect that the eyes of everyone will be more than formerly focussed upon the resources and opportunities of the Pacific province. We have during the past year enjoyed a fair measure of prosperity. Our staple industries have all shown activity and growth. But there has not been the same rush of population, nor the same development of new sources of wealth, which have characterized other portions of Western Canada. Our time, however, is coming, and coming very rapidly. We may during the present year look for several specific and definite developments which will have a notable effect upon the growth and prosperity of the province. Consequently the New Year finds us in a spirit of thankfulness for the progress of the past, and of buoyant hopefulness for the future. This makes it more than a mere conventional usage for us to wish every reader and friend of the Colonist, as we do, a Good and Prosperous New Year.

BELLICOSE MR. KIPLING.

Rudyard Kipling has the power of attracting instant attention to everything he writes. There is a vigorous and unconventional phraseology about all his work which impresses his opinions upon the public mind even where his opinions are not popular. In his denunciations of Little Englanders his ideas were harmonious with those of the great bulk of the British race. But the popular deduction from his teaching which resulted in the breaking of his aunt's windows by a mob was not one which he recognized to be logical. Similarly he might or might not recognize the fact that the natural result of his outburst against the co-operation of Great Britain and Germany in the Venezuelan affair would be to cause war between these two countries. It is possible to so inflame the passions of two peoples against one another that neither motives of policy, sense of justice, nor considerations of prudence can prevent them from flying at each other's throats. With all due deference to Rudyard Kipling, we do not think he is a big enough man to embroil the British Empire in war with Germany, and such a war would be the most appalling catastrophe of modern times. Nor do we exactly see why, if Great Britain, Germany, and the United States harmoniously represented the interests of Western civilization in the troubles in China, Great Britain and Germany should not unite to do the same thing in Venezuela with the United States in the background where it can accomplish most good in bringing about a satisfactory settlement. The British Empire the German Empire and the United States of America are essentially the three great powers of the modern world. That they should remain at peace with one another is a consideration beside which all others sink into insignificance. It is to our mind a pity to see a poet of the rank of Kipling descend to retaliation upon the outpourings of the scum of the German press, upon purely sentimental grounds, for there is no reason to believe that the attitude of the German Government has not been scrupulously correct in all its relations with those of Great Britain and the United States. Rudyard Kipling would have been to our mind much better employed in endeavoring to allay than to increase the popular hostility existent between Great Britain and Germany.

THE OIL TRUST.

During 1901 the wholesale domestic price of petroleum in the United States ranged from 6.9 cents a gallon to 7.9 cents a gallon. Within the last three months, however, a steady rise has taken place which has carried the figures to 12.5 cents and possibly higher. Retail prices have, of course, scored a corresponding advance. The production and distribution of the humble, but necessary coal oil of domestic use are entirely controlled by the Standard Oil Trust. On this account there is a tendency to assume that the recent rise in price has been arbitrary and unnecessary, and an unwarrantable abuse of a despotic power over the market. But a closer analysis of the situation shows that this is not altogether so. A trust is like an individual, it will sell what it possesses for the highest price it can get without reducing the demand. A rise in the price of coal oil three months ago would have been an arbitrary action on the part of the Trust. But it would have carried its own penalty with it, in a decreased demand for coal oil, and the substitution of other fuels for lighting and heating. It does not do so now because coal is excessively dear in the East, and numbers of people have been obliged to put in oil stoves in order to cure the deficiency of coal. The result has been an increased demand for oil, and consequent possibility of obtaining a higher price. Before the Trust is condemned it is necessary to ask the question whether, if the oil business had not been controlled by a trust, the price of oil would not have gone up to as high or even a higher level. That is a question which is very hard to answer. It can only be answered by the analogy of other commodities. If we look round the range of prices we find that where either production or distribution is competitively organized prices respond with great alacrity to an increased demand, and discover fluctuations within even wider limits than those in the price of oil. In the case of anthracite coal, although the output from the mines was controlled by long time contracts at a given price, the competition of dealers who purchased from the mines had no effect whatever in restricting in advance of prices to a prohibitive level during a period of great scarcity. We have also an instance nearer home in the effect on prices of an increased demand for shingles, coupled with a scarcity of cedar. In fact it would appear reasonable that under a competitive system of production and distribution prices would fluctuate with wider limits and more rapidly than where an industry is controlled by a trust, a sudden increase in demand and disappearance of supply causing a rapid appreciation, that in its turn leading to an increased supply, and that in its turn not halting till overproduction supervened with a disastrous drop in prices, and widespread dislocation of the industry. The trusts appear to act as regulators and governors of the operation of the law of supply and demand, without, however, interfering with the essential principle of the law itself. As yet, however, we know very little about the operation of trusts. They are new phenomena, new attempts at the rational organization of industry. There has never yet been an authentic instance of a trust's arbitrarily raising prices without coming to fearful grief. There have been many instances of trusts making the attempt. Trusts have certainly been able to raise prices where prices would have gone up in any case, namely, where an increased demand showed itself. During the next few years there will, in all probability, be ample opportunities of observing whether they have it in their power to maintain prices in face of a reduced demand. We do not believe they have. If they have not, then the regulation of industry by trusts may be the evolutionary remedy for the spasmodic character of industry which is responsible for half the crime, and all the misery in industrial countries, just as trade unions may be the evolutionary remedy for the spasmodic character of employment, and the evils of competition among mechanics. We are aware that these are not altogether popular opinions, and that to bray like a donkey against either trusts or trade unions, or both, is popularly supposed to be the mark of a rational human being. But we have sufficient belief in the ultimate rational and moral government of this world, to look for intelligence and purpose in phenomena of social organization like trusts and trade unions which have obviously come to stay, and not to rave against errors and misunderstandings which have characterized their inception and early growth.

A man's wife should always be the same, especially to her husband, but if she is weak and nervous, and uses Carter's Iron Pills, she cannot be, for they make her "feel like a different person," so they all say, and their husbands say so too!

Johnny Whiffle—"Say, do you call it fair, when you ben good to yer sister, an' kep' yer face washed, an' went ter Sunday-school fer a hull month, an' then only git a dum toot'-brush an' a girl's necktie fer a preseut?"—Judge.

Gertrude—"After Christmas, I'm going to give a luncheon to our church ladies." Augustus—"Why so soon, Gertrude?" "Gertrude—"Because they sold me this tough plum-pudding, and they've got to help eat it."—Brooklyn Life.

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A New Year! Everywhere the New Year! There are books and toys for the New Year, glittering trinkets for the New Year, dresses for the New Year, schemes of fortune for the New Year; kind wishes and good deeds for the New Year. —The Chimes.

Hard-heartedness and evil-doing will never prosper.—Our Mutual Friend.

A man never knows what he can do till he tries. —Pickwick Papers.

Pause you who read this, and think for a moment of the long chain of iron or gold, of thorns or flowers, that would never have bound you, but for the formation of the first link on that memorable day. —Great Expectations.

Perfect coolness and self-possession are the indispensable accompaniment of a great mind. —Pickwick Papers.

You can no more see to the bottom of the next few hours than you can see to the bottom of this river. —Our Mutual Friend.

Not possible is it to know how far the influence of any amiable, honest-hearted, duty-doing man flies out into the world; but it is very possible to know how it has touched one's self in passing by. —Great Expectations.

Energy and determination have done wonders many a time. —Bleak House.

We will not be proud, resentful or unforgiving. —Martin Chuzzlewit.

Yo-ho, my boys!" said Fezziwig, "no more work to-night!" —The Christmas Carol.

Every triumph you achieve in life will animate with new fortitude and firmness. —Oliver Twist.

Avast, there! Keep a bright lookout for'ard and good luck to you! —Dombey and Son.

Ring out the year! The patient year has lived through the reproaches of its slanderers and faithfully performed its work. Spring, summer, autumn, winter. It has labored through the destined round and now lays down its weary head to die. The streets are full of motion, and the shops are decked out gaily. The New Year, like an infant heir to the whole world, is waited for with welcomes and rejoicing. —The Chimes.

Father Time is not always a hard parent, and though he tarries for none of his children, he often lays his hand lightly on those who use him well. —Barnaby Rudge.

"Rosy," repeated Swiveller, "pass the rosy. May the wing of friendship never moult a feather." —Old Curiosity Shop.

Of all the fruitless errands, sending a tear to look after a day that is gone is the most fruitless. —Nicholas Nickleby.

May every blessing that the prayers of a true and earnest heart can call down from the source of all truth and sincerity cheer and prosper you. —Oliver Twist.

Things cannot be expected to turn up themselves. We must in a measure assist to turn them up. —David Copperfield.

Hello- a great deal of steam! The pudding was out of the copper! —Christmas Carol.

Each of the shadowy figures stretched its right arm forth, and pointed upwards. Spirits of the Bells! Their sound upon the air! They take such shapes and occupations as the hopes and thoughts of mortals, and the recollections they have stored up, give them. —The Chimes.

Cheerfulness and content are great beautifiers, and are famous preservers of good looks. —Barnaby Rudge.

Oh, a wonderful pudding! Bob Cratchet said—and calmly, too—that he regarded it as the greatest success achieved by Mrs. Cratchit since their marriage; and nobody said or thought it was at all a small pudding for a large family; any Cratchit would have blushed to hint at such a thing. —Christmas Carol.

Listener, gentle listener, may the New Year be a happy one to you, happy to many more whose happiness depends on you! So may each year be happier than the last, and not one meanest brother or sister debarred of his share of the great Creator's good gifts! —The Chimes.

Oh, glorious! Glorious! Clear, bright, jovial, stirring cold; cold, piping for the blood to dance to; golden sunlight; heavenly sky; sweet, fresh air; and the merry chime of bells. —Christmas Carol.

Now it is a fair, even-handed, noble adjustment of things, that while there is infection in disease and sorrow, there is nothing in the world so irresistibly contagious as laughter and good humor. —Christmas Carol.

In our judgments, as in our doings, we must bear and forbear. —Hard Times.

Sam smiled. "Avay with melancholy, as the little boy said wen his school missis died!" —Pickwick Papers.

There is nothing little to the really great in spirit. He was simply and staunchly true to his duty, alike in the large case as in the small. So all true souls ever are; so every true soul ever was, ever is, and ever will be. —Mystery of Edwin Drood.

Will Demand The Railway

Agitation is to Be Commenced Favoring the E. and N. Extension.

Petitions Will Be Circulated All Over Vancouver Island.

Some of the more public-spirited men in Victoria are determined that the year 1903 shall witness a strenuous attempt on the part of the people of Vancouver Island to secure the extension of the railway from Wellington to the Northern end of the Island.

A meeting of gentlemen who appreciate the great advantages which would result to Victoria in the opening up of the immense resources of the Island, was held within the past few days, and a Colonist reporter was informed yesterday that it was determined to arrange for the circulation of a monster petition at every point of settlement on the Island, and when the same has been duly signed, to present copies of it to the provincial and federal governments, and to each of the members representing the Island at Ottawa and Victoria.

In order that the circulation of the petition may be taken hold of in a thoroughly business-like fashion, it is planned to call a public meeting of the citizens of Victoria at an early date, when it is anticipated that the expense of circulating the petitions will be arranged without much difficulty.

It is intended that the petition shall recite briefly the enormous extent and variety of the resources of the Island, the certainty that the construction of the railway will result in great and immediate benefit to the entire population, and that it is desired that aid, both provincial and federal, in the way of the usual subsidies, should be given without hesitancy.

"We have dilly-dallied with this question of the extension of the railway to the North end of the Island all too long," said the gentleman who informed the Colonist reporter of the new movement which is on foot. "If we hope to see anything accomplished in our time, we must 'get a move on' and help ourselves. The apathy of the people on this great question is simply astounding. Why, there is not a man in the city of Victoria who, if you ask him what is needed to make Victoria and the Island prosperous, will not reply at once: 'Why, the extension of the Island railway to the North!' Yes, we all know exactly what we want; but we sit down and do nothing.

"What we want to do is to indicate in no unmistakable way that the people of Vancouver Island are a unit in favor of the scheme. That can only be done by getting an expression of opinion from the people—and the best way to get that is to have a monster petition signed by every white adult on the Island, and sent into both the federal and provincial governments."

The same gentleman mentioned that some four or five years ago Victorians showed a spasm of activity in this direction. But it was only a spasm, which quickly subsided and gave way to the ruinous and deadly apathy which must be overcome if the Island is to be properly opened up so as to benefit the present generation. At the time mentioned petitions were placed in prominent places throughout the city, and Mr. J. M. Laing delivered an illustrated lecture in the City hall portraying the wealth of the great natural resources of the Island, and the great period of progress and prosperity which would be ushered in once the country was opened up by a railway which would pierce its centre throughout its entire length. But nothing came of the movement.

Now, however, it is intended to take up the matter of agitating for the construction of the road in a thoroughly business-like fashion. A strong committee of prominent citizens will be chosen, if possible, at a mass meeting, and in their hands shall be left the task of directing the movement which aims at the consummation of a project which means unparalleled prosperity to Victoria and every portion of Vancouver Island.

It is intended that the movement shall be made to take the form of a spontaneous demand on the part of the entire people in favor of the two governments assisting by every means possible any legitimate scheme which has for its purpose the opening up of the country by an all-Island railway.

This agitation for some activity on the part of the people is, in its initial stages, in the hands of determined men—men who, having once put their shoulders to the wheel, will not be deterred by any insignificant obstacles from carrying out their avowed intention—the securing of the construction of the all-Island railway.

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Barber—"Perhaps you favor your Ma."

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And so we say to our many, many friends—A Happy, Happy New Year! And here's hoping 1903 may have naught but happiness in store for you!
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John J. Mitchell, president Illinois Trust and Savings Bank, Chicago.

Norman B. Ream, capitalist, Chicago; director of Chicago and Alton railroad, the Erie railroad, etc.

J. Ogden Armour and P. A. Valentine, of the firm of Armour & Company, Chicago.

John B. Dennis and E. L. Marston, members of the banking firm of Blair & Company, New York.

George F. Baker, president of the First National Bank, New York.

James A. and C. Ledyard Blair, of Blair & Company, and their friends.

The effect of the sale is to increase the capital of the bank by $500,000, and the reserve fund by $750,000, and the shares of the institution have risen on the market from 185 to 210 on the strength of it. The American capitalists who have become shareholders in the Royal Bank are reported to be heavily interested in Cuba, where the bank has had an office for the last three years, and where it is doing a large and increasing business.

DECEMBER STATISTICS.

Police Report for the Month—Clearing House—Fire Brigade.

Following are the statistics for December, so far as available:

The city police dealt with 82 offenders, under the following charges:

Drunkenness, 39; infraction of bicycle bylaw, 6; stealing 5; assault 4; inmate, 1; cutting, 2; infraction of the public morals bylaw, 1; frequenter, 3; vags, 3; supplying, 3; possession of intoxicants, 1; obtaining money under false pretences, 3; refusing to pay revenue tax, 2; possession of stolen property, 9; wilful damage to property, 1; infraction of municipal bylaw, 1.

The Fire brigade was called out only three times during the month, and the total loss by fire was only $350.

The transactions of the Victoria clearing house amounted to $3,014,943, a considerable increase over former months.

CAT 42 YEARS OLD.

Herr Pohl, president of the German Society for the protection of cats, has just published the results of his investigation in regard to the age which it is possible for these animals to attain. Cats, he says, are like human beings, in one respect. The more peaceful and better regulated their life is, the longer they are likely to live. As a proof he points out that a favorite cat in the royal castle of Nuphenburg has lived to be forty-two years old, and consequently may fairly claim to be considered the dean of cats in Germany That this remarkable animal has still some youth in her is evident from the fact that she gave birth to a kitten two years ago. Moreover, the kitten thrived wonderfully and attracted much attention when it was exhibited at the exhibition in Breslau.

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Local News.

OFFICIAL RECEPTIONS.

The Lieutenant-Governor will hold a reception at Government House on New Year's Day from 3 to 6 o'clock.

Mayor Hayward will receive visitors at his residence on New Year's Day from 3 to 6 p. m.

Home Nursing.—The regular meeting of the Home Nursing Society will be held on Thursday, January 8.

New Year's Service.—Special New Year's service will be held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church this forenoon at 11 o'clock. The public cordially invited.

Early Closing.—The purchasing public would do well to remember that after the 1st of January, the grocery stores go back to the early closing system as existed before the holiday season.

Contracts Awarded.—The Department of Lands and Works has awarded the contract for the new two storey brick school house at Esquimalt to George Snider of this city. The new school, which will contain three rooms, will be built on Lampson street. The contract for the Matsqui school has been awarded to Thos. Lord of New Westminster.

Natural History Society.—The following is a list of paid subscribers for introduction of song birds into British Columbia, collected by Mr. John McGraw, of the S. S. Tees: C. Winther, $2; George Rudge, $2; Capt. McLeod, $2; Capt. Hughes, $2; J. George Martin, $2; Thos. Hunter, $2; Capt. Gosse, $1.50; W. Dyson, $1; J. Williams, $1; R. L. Brownlee, $1; C. W. Ross, $1; Jno. Heritage, $1; J. S. Byron, $1; Louis Hafer, $1; J. K. Angus, 50c.; J. W. Moore, 50c.; total, $21.50.

Picturesque Victoria.—Messrs. T. N. Hibben & Co. have just published a new edition of their book of views of Victoria under the title, "Picturesque Victoria." The pictures are done by a new process, which produces a beautiful soft effect, very pleasing to the eye. The book, which is tastefully bound, contains views of scenes in and about Victoria, and will make a valuable and interesting souvenir well worth preserving. The Colonist is indebted to Messrs. Hibben for a copy of this beautiful work.

Wedded Last Evening.—At St. John's church yesterday evening at 7 o'clock, Rev. Percival Jenns united in marriage Edward Cave and Miss Rose Palmer, eldest daughter of Mr. Thos. Palmer, of Fisguard street, this city. The bride, who was prettily attired in a costume of pigeon gray, was attended by Miss Florence Palmer as bridesmaid, and Mr. H. C. Williams supported the groom. Mr. Thos. Palmer, uncle of the bride, gave the latter away. The happy young couple received a large number of gifts from friends. They will reside on Rupert street.

Illustrated Lecture.—At the request of a number of citizens Mr. Herbert Cuthbert, secretary of the Tourist association, has consented to give, in the lecture room of the Metropolitan church on Monday, January 5, at 8 p. m., his celebrated lecture entitled "British Columbia and the Great West, or a Tour Through Western Canada with the British Journalists." The lecturer, who recently accompanied the party of British journalists through Western Canada, will illustrate the various industries inspected by them, and the matchless scenery along the route, with 150 magnificent views. Dr. E. S. Rowe will occupy the chair. There will be no charge for admission, but a collection will be taken during the evening.

A Pleasant Evening.—The Union Jack Sporting club held their third annual banquet in the club rooms, Pandora street, on Tuesday evening. There was a large attendance of members and friends, who did justice to the array of good things provided by the chief stewards, E. Watkins and J. Thompson. The second part of the programme consisted of songs, musical selections, etc. E. Watkins, in his usual fine voice sang, "Asleep in the Deep." R. Lowe delighted all present by his rendering of "The Soldiers of the Queen." J. Jones' club-swinging was a treat. Much laughter was provoked by the song, "I Hates to Get Up Early in the Morn," by S. Russell. The entire arrangements were in the hands of W. Petticrew, R. McLachlan, H. Jamieson and E. Townsley, who are to be congratulated on their success.

SILVER WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jeeves and Friends Celebrate the Happy Event.

There was a very pleasant gathering at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jeeves, of No. 63 First street, on Tuesday evening, it being the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding day. The home was very tastefully decorated with holly, evergreens and tissue paper. The guests, numbering about fifty in all, sat down to a sumptuous repast provided for the occasion; after which games of various kinds were indulged in until the small hours of the morning. Mr. and Mrs. Jeeves were the recipients of numerous valuable and useful presents, among them being the following:

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. John, silver cake stand; Mr. and Mrs. J. Parsons, silver berry spoon; Mr. and Mrs. H. Turnbull, silver brooch and stick pin; Mr. and Miss Parson, large silver tray; Mr. and Mrs. Barnett, half dozen silver teaspoons; Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett, sr., silver butter knife; Mr. and Mrs. Capt. Hughes, silver breakfast set; Mrs. Arnold, silver salad fork; Mr. and Mrs. Harris and Mrs. C. Caselton, half dozen silver egg spoons; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Kent, silver pickel jar; Mr. and Mrs. J. Bennett, silver butter knife; Mrs. and Arthur Pike, half dozen silver teaspoons; Mr. J. Sherk, two silver napkin rings; Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson, silver breakfast cruet; Mr. and Mrs. Sheather, Mr. and Mrs. Smith and Miss Caselton, silver butter knife and berry spoon; Misses N. and H. Penketh, silver sugar tongs; Mr. A. Jeeves, sr., one dozen silver knives and forks, and a silver tea set and tray, from their four sons.

"You have profound admiration for that philosopher."

"I have."

"And yet you say you don't fully understand what he writes."

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CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS

Delightful Time at St. Barnabas Church — Other Joyous Events.

St. Barnabas' Sunday school, Christmas entertainment held in the Odd Fellows' hall, Fernwood road, on the 30th inst., was a decided success, and the members of the Sunday school, young and old, teachers, and friends, are to be congratulated on the esprit de corps that gave such results and delighted a large audience. One hundred and forty children sat down to tea first, then followed a second attack upon the many good things provided, when the elder scholars waited upon the adults, teachers and friends; after which games were indulged in till the clamour of the younger members became imperative for "the magic lantern," which was manipulated by Mr. Palmer to the enjoyment of all and to such effect that a promise was extracted from him on the spot of another lantern entertainment to be given in the same hall at 8 p. m., on Wednesday, January 7, 1903, in aid of the Sunday school, when a charge of ten cents will be made, and when the mechanical slides, which called forth screams of delight, will be repeated, including the proverbial "rat eater" and the bad dream of the man who persisted in "sleeping on his back."

There was a slight punctuation made here by the electric light taking a trip on its own account, but willing hands brought lamps from several quarters, and these, with the Japanese lanterns of the decorations, prevented the insertion of the period. Next came a well rendered programme of songs, recitations, duets on piano, and violin and piano by the children, and by Brownies in full costume, who delighted the ears as well as the eyes. Scarcely had the rector, Rev. E. G. Miller, given the final note of the "Midshipmite" when along with his full mellow tones sounded the horn of Santa Claus in the distance and a Brownie handed a telegram to the rector, which read thus:

"Dear Mr. Miller I expect to reach the top of the chimney about 9 o'clock, so tell all the children to look out for me. I rope the chimney won't be too hot as I do not want to get my whiskers burnt, for I have lost a lot of them already in fighting the big bears that have come after me. I am on my way up the chimney now, and I tell you its pretty dirty traveling, I guess this chimney has not been cleaned for a long time. Goodbye. SANTA CLAUS."

Nearer and nearer advanced the horn, children tiptoed expectantly, for it was known that Santa Claus was to reverse the order of things by coming up the chimney this time, the curtains were drawn aside and the scenic effect was grand, as the Christmas tree, with its myriads of lights and colors, stood revealed and simultaneously a report rang in the immense chimney of pretty red bricks, followed by a flame of light and smoke from which emerged Santa Claus in gorgeous attire and drawing up with him a well filled bucket of toys. The rector assisted his descent with a ladder and the toys and prizes of books were distributed from the tree also. With each prize the number of attendances at Sunday school for the year was given, many had attained the full 52, and were greeted by rounds of applause, while the average attendance was good. Boxes of popcorn and sweets were distributed and the young people went off to their homes to dream of Brownies and Santa Claus, and thus ended a delightful evening to old and young alike.

Santa Claus, alias, Mr. T. S. Mills and his assistants, Messrs. Hood, J. and A. Lawrence and P. Bannerman are artists of no mean order, to them was due the scenic effects pictured above.

Tomorrow afternoon from 3 to 6, Santa Claus will hold a reception for the Sunday school children of the Metropolitan Methodist church. Music, refreshments, and the distribution of gifts will serve to make the little ones happy.

The entertainment given at Strawberry Vale Methodist church on Tuesday evening, was a very successful and pleasant affair, and gathered together a large audience. Following was the programme:

Opening selection, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"; prayer by Rev. T. H. Wright; chorus, "Crown the Son of David"; solo, Miss Cassie Case; address, Mr. Noah Shakespeare; duet, Willie Jones and Regie Etheridge; chorus by the school; solo, Miss Maud West; chorus, Mrs. Jones' class; solo, Mabel Jones; complimentary address by Mr. Noah Shakespeare; lecture by Mr. Herbert Cuthbert; chair by Rev. T. H. Wright. Tea served by the ladies.

OPENING OF THE CIVIC CAMPAIGN

List of Meetings Arranged in Interest of the Labor Candidates.

The early days of New Year will be made memorable by the commencement of a campaign affecting municipal honors which bids fair to be numbered among the most interesting, spiritedly-contested which has ever occurred in the history of the city. The labor organizations are entering into the fight with great vigor and determination and intend that no stone shall be left unturned which may aid the election of the candidates nominated in their interests. A list of the meetings which have been arranged in the interests of the Labor candidates is as follows:

Oaklands, January 3.
Spring Ridge, January 6.
Semple's hall, Victoria West, January 8.
Creamers' hall, January 9.
Workers' meeting, Labor hall, January 10.
South Park school, January 12.
Work Estate, January 13.
Labor hall, January 14.

A meeting of the supporters of Ald. McCandless, who is a candidate for the mayoralty, will be held on Saturday evening in the Odd Fellows' block, Douglas street.

No announcements have yet been made regarding any arrangements for public meetings which will be addressed by the mayoralty candidates and members of the present aldermanic board.

The officials in City Assessor Northcott's office at the City hall put in a busy day yesterday. From the time the office was opened at 9 o'clock in the morning there was an almost continuous stream of intending voters filing their declarations. When the office closed yesterday evening the total registration was in the neighborhood of 1,350—all records having been broken in the number making declarations.

The printers who have obtained the contract for the printing of the voters' list have until the 8th instant to finally complete the job, and it will keep them hustling to do so, as the list requires to be revised by the returning officer in the interim. There will be no delay, however, in getting the "copy" in the hands of the printer, as Mr. Northcott, when the last man had registered last evening, had everything entered up-to-date.

Through the Colonist's advertising columns this morning Alex. Stewart announces that he will be a candidate for Alderman for Centre Ward at the approaching elections. Mr. Stewart served at the council board for several years, and also sat on the Board of Licensing and Police commissioners.

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MUNICIPAL ELECTION ACT

Mayor Hayward Points Out Provisions to Ensure Correct Voters List.

The Mayor draws attention to the provisions of the act to ensure a correct list of duly qualified voters at the ensuing election:

December 31, 1902.

To the Editor:

Sir: Will you please publish, for the information of the electors, the following sections of the amended Municipal Elections Act, and oblige,

Yours, very faithfully,
CHAS. HAYWARD,
Mayor.

Section 9.—"In city municipalities the list of voters shall be prepared by the clerk of the municipality, and shall be closed on or before the fifth day of January of the year in which nominations are made, and within three days after the closing thereof the clerk of the municipality shall certify such list to be correct, and shall cause the same to be printed, ten or more of which printed lists shall be posted in conspicuous public places in the municipality."

Section 11.—"In city municipalities, the police magistrate of the city, or any judge of the Supreme or County court, is hereby empowered to hear and determine cases when it is alleged, after the voters' list has been certified as correct by the clerk of the municipality, that any person's name has been improperly omitted from or placed on the voters' list; and the clerk of the municipality is hereby authorized to add to or strike from the voters' list the name of any person whom the police magistrate or judge decides is or is not entitled to vote, on receipt of such order from the police magistrate or judge."

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Financial Times Publishes a Lengthy Interview With A. J. McMillan.

He Is Very Optimistic Regarding the Future of the Industry.

In a lengthy interview published in the London Financial Times, Mr. Anthony J. McMillan, managing director of the Snowshoe Gold & Copper Co., and director of Le Roi Mining Co., had this to say regarding the recent progress of mining generally in British Columbia:

"The tonnage of ore produced this year will be much greater than ever before. Last year the Rossland mines produced 280,000 tons of ore; this year they will produce nearly 350,000 tons. In the Boundary district, lying some 50 miles West of the Rossland district, where mining has only recently commenced, the output in 1900 was 98,000 tons, and in 1901 it was 360,000 tons, whilst this year it will amount to about 500,000 tons. In both these districts gold and copper are the principal minerals produced, though a little silver is also extracted. The principal mines contain immense bodies of low-grade ore, and upon the successful treatment of these depends the success of the companies owning the mines, and of the country itself. Low-grade mines are well known to be amongst the most permanent and the best-paying in the world, so the mere fact that the mines are low-grade need not frighten any investor; but, of course, rigid economy must be practised, and advantage must be taken of every device to reduce the costs of mining and smelting, thus making of commercial value vast bodies of ore otherwise valueless."

"And are costs being reduced?"

"Yes, very materially. When I first knew British Columbia, six or seven years since, the cost of smelting was $13 per ton. Today ore is being smelted there at from $1.50 to $2 per ton. The costs of mining are also lower than they were, but the costs of both mining and smelting will be still further reduced. Freight rates on ore from the mines to the smelters in British Columbia are about half what they were some two years ago, but the railways will have to make still further reductions. It is in these directions success lies, and, as showing that up-to-date methods are being employed, it is gratifying to know that the best equipped smelters in America—with, I believe I am right in adding, the cheapest smelting in the world—are in British Columbia; this is particularly so in the Boundary district, where the ore bodies are much larger, though of somewhat lower grade than in the Rossland district."

"The extensive development of the Boundary district, to which you refer, is comparatively new, is it not?"

"Well, London has not yet heard much about it, but this section of the country, of which the principal centres are Grand Forks, Phoenix and Greenwood, will, in addition to its gold output, soon make itself known as a great copper producer. Owing to the fact that the ores of the district are found in great masses, and are practically self-fluxing, they can be mined and smelted at the minimum of cost. A number of properties have been partially explored, but the principal producing mines are the Granby, owned in Montreal and Quebec, the Snowshoe, owned in London, and the Mother Lode group, principally owned in New York. The combined output of these mines this year to date is about 380,000 tons. A few miles Westward there are also large coal deposits, the development of which has only just commenced."

With reference to the 2 per cent. ore tax, of which much has been heard recently, both in British Columbia and in London, Mr. McMillan said:

"The 2 per cent. tax upon ore is unjust, inasmuch as it is levied on the gross output of the mines after freight and treatment charges have been deducted. This means that on every dollar paid out at the mines for wages and stores on account of ore production we have to pay the 2 per cent. tax to the government. It also means that the low-grade mines pay proportionately a higher rate of taxation than do the high-grade mines. We contend that, if imposed at all, the tax should be levied upon the dividends declared, and not upon the gross output. When in Victoria the other day I had a long interview with Col. Prior, the premier and minister of mines, and withother ministers, and they gave me to understand that they favored the abolition of this tax, or its readjustment, to meet the views of the mine owners, and action will probably be taken in this direction at the next session of the legislature."

Concluding with a query as to the future development of the country, Mr. McMillan said that a good deal might be expected from the extension of railway communication.

"It is a hopeful indication as to their view of what they have seen that, as the result of investigation made by Mr. J. J. Hill on his recent visits, and the experts of the great railway companies, better railway facilities are being afforded. The companies are spending money now in furnishing improved means of communication. Rossland has the benefit of two railway systems, the Canadian Pacific and the Great Northern railway of the United States, of which Mr. Hill, as, of course, you know, is president. The Canadian Pacific railway has been in the Boundary district for three years, and this year the Great Northern extended its lines there also. Both these companies propose to extend their systems Westward through the mineral belt of Southern British Columbia to the Pacific ocean."

WINNIPEG CHRISTMAS PRESENT

Unique Souvenir From the Manitoba Free Press.

The Colonist has received from the Manitoba Free Press a very original Christmas greeting in the form of a neat little package of reindeer pemmican made at Fort McPherson, a Hudson's Bay Co.'s post within a few miles of the Arctic ocean. Accompanying this is a beautifully printed little pamphlet on "Pemmican" with historical references to what was once an indespensable article of food to the hunter and traveler in the Great West. The little book is beautifully illustrated with sketches, and as contrasting the past with the present some figures are given showing the marvelous progress of Manitoba and the Territories.

SLOCAN ORE SHIPMENTS.

Kaslo, B. C., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Total tonnage of ore shipped through this port for the year past amounts to 16,290 tons, against 14,200 tons in 1901. This shows a very slight increase, which has been maintained throughout Slocan in the same degree. The total Slocan tonnage is roughly 28,000 tons during the past year, against 26,000 tons in 1901.

ASSAY OF ROBERTS-KITCHENER ORE.

A recent assay of ore from the Roberts-Kitchener mine, Mount Richard, made by Pellew-Harvey, Bryant & Gilman, gave the following result: Gold, $5; silver, $1.78; copper, $72.48. Total values, $79.26. This is far above the average run of ore in the Cowichan district, and if the owners of the property have a good body of it they are to be congratulated.

WHEN HE WAS AT SEA.

A Philadelphia clergyman who neglected all knowledge of nautical affairs was asked to deliver an address before an audience of sailors. He was discoursing on the stormy passages of life. Thinking he could make his remarks more pertinent to his hearers by metaphorically using sea expressions, he said:

"Now, friends, you know that when you are at sea in a storm the first thing you do is to anchor."

A half concealed laugh spread over the room, and the clergyman knew that he had made a mistake. After the services one of his listeners came to him and said: "Mr. —, have you ever been at sea?"

The minister replied:

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Rossland Makes Splendid Showing

Value of Output for the Year Aggregates the Sum of $4,697,000.

Bright Prospects in Store for the Kootenay Mining Capital.

Rossland, Dec. 31.—(Special)—The output of the Rossland camp, including an approximate estimate for December, in the absence of smelter returns, is about 337,404 wet tons of 2,000 pounds each. The approximate value is $4,697,000, giving an average value of $14 per ton, despite the heavy drop in copper. In detail, the figures are approximately as follows:

Le Roi, 216,569 tons (including 11,000 tons shipped from the second class dump), value $2,880,000.

Le Roi No. 2, 52,670 tons, value $860,000.

Centre Star, 37,800 tons, value $466,000.

War Eagle, 22,620, value $350,000.

Giant, 3,200 tons, value $65,000.

Rossland-Kootenay, 2,430 tons, value $30,000.

Velvet, 1,600 tons, value $40,000.

Other mines, 425 tons, value $6,000.

The figures for 1901 were 283,360 tons, of a total value of $4,621,999, which included copper valued at $1,342,318. As the price of copper has been practically cut in half, it will be seen that value of the year's shipments calculated on the basis of last year, would give an even higher average. The percentage of the metals in the ore has not decreased, and if calculated out, would rather show an increase as depth has been gained in certain instances, although the reverse has been the case in others. The values given are the gross metallic values.

The output is wonderful, considering the labor troubles which began the year, the lack of a definite arrangement with the Trail smelter preventing the War Eagle and Centre Star shipping more than one-third of the twelve months, and that the shortage of coke which seriously impeded smelting operations during the latter seven months of the year.

Smelting ore under the conditions now existing, with the likelihood of a considerable cheapening at the cost at Northport in the spring, should alone show a large increase in the year to come. This prospect is widened when it is taken into account the fact of the new experiments in pyritic smelting about to be inaugurated at the Trail smelter with the declaration of policy by the directorate of the Rossland-Kootenay to erect a smelter of its own should the Trail smelter fail to treat their ore on a sufficiently large scale, the output of the smelting ore will be increased by the capacity of the Kootenay, which should not average less than 200 tons daily during the latter half of 1903. It is the expressed intention to increase that tonnage to 300 tons daily. Bernard MacDonald's estimate of the actual capacity of that mine is upwards of 600 tons per diem.

Concentration will also play a prominent part although it is probable that the year will be consumed before any other mines than the War Eagle and Centre Star have got down to work on a large basis.

The returns from the Velvet and the declaration of an intended opening of the Victory-Triumph has stimulated interests on these mines situated on Sophie Mountain, and from this outlying district much of a favorable nature is likely to be heard during the coming year. The labor troubles are practically at an end and the camp is once more a coherent city.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

TORONTO MINING EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

(Furnished by The Stuart Robertson Co., Ltd., successors to A. W. More & Co., Ltd., 23 Broad street.)

Toronto, Dec. 31.—The following were the closing quotations on the Mining Exchange today:

	Asked.	Bid.
Black Tail	9	7
Canadian G. F. S.	4	3
Cariboo McKinney	10	17
Cariboo Hydraulic	75	
Centre Star	40	37½
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	$100	$75
Fairview Corp	4½	3½
Golden Crown	5	
Giant	3½	2¾
Granby Smelter	$3.75	$3.25
Iron Mask	8	
Lone Pine—Surprise Con	5	3
Morning Glory	3	
Morrison	3	
Mountain Lion	15	11
North Star	8½	7¼
Payne	10	8
Rambler Cariboo	35	29
Republic	8	6
Sullivan	6	3
Virtue	8	5
War Eagle Con.	19½	17½
White Bear	2½	
Winnipeg	4	
Wonderful	4	
Dom. Cons	4	2¾
St. Eugene	22	15

TORONTO SALES.

War Eagle, 500 at 19.
Canadian Goldfields, 1,000 at 3¼.

ROSSLAND SALES.

War Eagle, 1,000 at 19.
Giant, 2,000 at 2⅝.
Bonanza, 500 at 15.
Rambler Cariboo, 1,500 at 32½.

STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

(By B. C. Stock Exchange, Ltd.)

New York, Dec. 31.—The following quotations ruled on the Produce Exchanges today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
New York Wheat—				
May	80⅝	80½	80¼	80½
Chicago Corn—				
May	43¼	43¼	43	43
Liverpool Wheat—				
May	6s. 0⅞d.			6s. 0⅞d.

New York, Dec. 31.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amal. Copper	62⅞	64⅝	62¾	63⅞
Am. Sugar	129	129¼	128½	128¼
People's Gas	103¼	104	103	103¾
Manhattan	146¾	149¼	146¾	149
B. R. T.	68	68¾	67½	67¼
St. Paul	178⅝	179¼	178¼	178⅝
Union Pacific	100⅝	101⅝	100⅝	100⅝
Sou. Pacific	64⅞	66	64¼	65¼
Mo. Pacific	108¾	110⅝	108¾	110⅝
Atchison	84¼	85	84	84¼

Money loaning at 12 per cent to 8 per cent; last loan, 11 per cent.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Dec. 31.—The following were the closing bids on the Stock Exchange today:

Amalgamated Copper	63¾
American Locomotive	29½
American Locomotive pfd	95½
American Sugar Refinery Co.	129
American Smelting & Refining Co.	43
American Car & Foundry	36
Anaconda Mining Co.	96
Atchison	84½
Atchison pfd	100¼
Baltimore & Ohio	100
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	67¾
Chicago & Alton	34½
Canadian Pacific	132½
Chesapeake & Ohio	48¼
Chicago & Northwestern	218¼
St. Paul	178⅝
Colorado Southern	28½
Consolidated Gas	216½
Colorado Fuel & Iron	80¾
Corn Products	30⅞
Corn Products pfd	83
C. O. C. & St. L.	06⅞
Delaware & Hudson	174
Denver & Rio Grande	40½
Denver & Rio Grande pfd	89¼
Duluth, S. S. & A.	26
Great Northern pfd	203
General Electric	183½
Iowa Central	41
Iowa Central pfd	73
Kansas & Texas	27¾
Kansas & Texas pfd.	58
Louisville & Nashville	128
Manhattan Elevated	148¾
Missouri Pacific	110
Minn., St. P. & S. St. M.	76
Metropolitan Traction	140¾
New York Central	151
Erie Railway	38¾
Erie Railway 1st pfd	68¼
Erie Railway 2nd pfd	51
New York, Ontario & Western	32
Norfolk & Western	73¾
Pacific Mail	39¾
Pennsylvania Railway	153¾
Pressed Steel	62¾
People's Gas	102¾
Philadelphia & Reading	66¾
Philadelphia & Reading 1st pfd	87¼
Rock Island	49¼
Southern Railway	34¼
Southern Railway pfd	92¾
Southern Pacific	65⅛
Tennessee Coal & Iron	60
Texas & Pacific	40½
Twin City	117
United States Leather	12¾
United States Leather pfd	89¼
United States Steel	36¼
United States Steel pfd	85¾
United States Rubber	58
Union Pacific	100¾
Union Pacific pfd	93
Wabash Railway	30¼
Wabash Railway pfd	44¾
Western Union	88¼
Wisconsin Central	26¾
Wisconsin Central pfd	53¼
C. P. R. in London	136
Commercial Cable Co.	175

Tess—"So their engagement is broken off?" Jess—"Yes, they quarreled, and she was in the wrong." Tess—"And she wouldn't admit it?" Jess—"No, that was the whole trouble. She did admit it, and after that he simply became unbearable."—Philadelphia Press.

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RETAIL MARKETS

There is practically no change in the market this week, with the exception of fresh island eggs, which have had a drop.

Following are current prices:

Wheat, per ton	$35
Corn, whole, per ton	$36
Corn, cracked	$37
Oats, per ton	$20
Oatmeal, per 10 lbs.	45
Rolled oats, B. & K., per lb	4
Rolled oats, B. & K. per 7-lb sack	35
Feed—	
Hay, baled, per ton	$13
Straw, per bale	75
Middlings, per ton	$26
Bran, per ton	$25
Ground feed, per ton	$25
Vegetables—	
Cabbage, per lb	2 to 3
Cauliflower, per head	15
Onions, per lb	3
Carrots, per lb	1½@ 3
Beet root, per lb	3
Cucumbers, each	5 @10
Potatoes, per 100 lbs	75c to $1.00
Sweet potatoes, per lb	5
Celery	10 to 15
Turnips, per lb.	1½@ 3
Artichokes, per lb	2
Eggs—	
Fresh Island, per dozen	40
Eastern eggs, per dozen	30
Cheese—	
Canadian, per lb	25
Butter—	
California	25
Cowichan creamery, per lb	35
Fresh Island butter	30
Victoria creamery, per lb	35
Delta creamery, per lb	35
Manitoba, per lb	25@30
Best dairy, per lb	20 to 25
Fruits—	
Cocoanuts, each	10@15
Lemons, California, per doz.	25 to 30
Lemons, small, per doz.	20@25
Island apples, per box	.00 to 1.25
California figs (black), 4 lbs	25
California figs (white), 3 lbs	25
California figs, new crop, 1 lb.	10
Currants, per lb	10 to 12½
Raisins, per lb	12½
Sultanas	17½
California	12½
Loose Muscats	8 to 10
Mixed peel, per lb	15
Sultanas, per lb	12½ to 20
Poultry—	
Dressed fowls, each	50 to 75
Dressed turkeys, per lb	25
Fish—	
Smoked salmon, per lb	15
Spring salmon, per lb	10
Cod, per lb	10
Halibut, per lb	8
Smoked halibut	10
Halibut, frozen	6
Flounders	6
Crabs, per doz	75
Bloaters	10
Kippers	12½
Salt mackerel, each	15
Salt cod, per lb	10
Salt tongues and sounds, per lb.	20
Salt Holland herring, per keg	$1.50
Salt salmon, each	25
Salmon bellies, per lb	12½
Game—	
Grouse, per pair	$1 to $1.10
Venison, per lb	6 to 10
Meats—	
Beef	10 to 20
Mutton, per lb	12½ to 18
Lamb, spring, fore quarters, each	$1 to $1.25
Lamb, hind quarters	$1.50 to $1.75
Lamb, cut up, per lb	12½ to 20
Veal	12½ to 20
Pork	11 to 18
Lipton's bacon	27
Lipton's ham	22
Hams, American, per lb.	22
Bacon, American, per lb	25
Bacon, rolled	16
Bacon, long clear	18
Lard, per lb.	20

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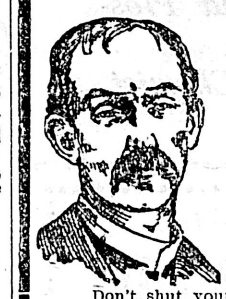

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

TIMES' ATTACKS.

Sir,—The Times in tonight's issue, says: "It is well to have a good, true and trusted newspaper friend when one is running for any office in the gift of the people." I rather think Alderman McCandless will think this a very questionable matter, after the venomous style his newspaper friend on the Times has seen fit to use to support the Alderman's candidature for the Mayoralty position. If this is to be the style of municipal campaigners and their method of treating opponents then we are falling away down, and it is safe to say that the Times and his candidate for the chief magistrate's chair will suffer by the offensive tactics used. The citizens of Victoria are inquiring what is the reason for the Times' change of heart. Two months ago the columns of the Times were full of adulation for Mayor Hayward; he was admired for his shrewdness, his foresight and energy and overshadowed all others who had preceded him in the office he held. His efforts as an alderman when he saved the city of Victoria $3,000 a year by the consolidation of the city's debts; all these were points which the Times thought entitled Mayor Hayward to a continuance of office, and even the fact that the exhibition had a larger deficit (over $3,000) last year than this, did not in any way effect the Times in its advocacy of the Mayor's right to a continuance of office. The only matter that the Times has brought forward this year which it thinks disqualifies the Mayor, is his connection with the exhibition, and the Times has placed itself on record as a better judge than the directors and members of that Association. That the members of the association have confidence in him was shown by his unanimous re-election as president of the fair, and this was at a general meeting to which all members were notified to be present. The Times presumes too much when it attempts to dispute the choice of a body who had the advantage of knowing the large amount of work he had put in and his efforts to make the fair a success. The Times continues to harp on the matter of the fact of the Colonist account having been paid, and one would imagine that it was only the Colonist account that was paid through the fair week. The public are not so short-minded as not to remember that last year's accounts were not paid until this year, and that the Colonist was not the only firm who were determined not to wait until next year for their account. It is to be regretted that the secretary is not at home or several matters could be cleared up. For the real reason I think would be found in the present attack on the Mayor to the fact that an account is due the Times, who did not render their account in time, nor when there were funds to pay them. It is not that Mayor Hayward is not a fit and proper person to be Mayor, but the fact that the Colonist got its account fixed and the Times did not. It would be as well for the finance committee to explain the method of paying these accounts. Mr. Hanna, Mr. H. D. Helmcken, the chairman of the finance committee, and Mr. Goodacre, can explain a great deal in connection with this affair. But there is one thing to remember, that the account rendered to authorities by the Colonist was part of an old balance from the previous fair and for work done in June and July, and also that at that time (the fair week) there was in the treasury the $3,000 which the government appropriated for the association. If the Times continues in its state of political intoxication and persists in throwing mud it will not be surprising to find that some of the mud will stick on the persons who are the throwers. It is no wonder that business men refuse to take an active part in municipal affairs when they are subjected to such ill-mannered attacks. There are many friends of Alderman McCandless in this city who doubt the value of a newspaper friend like the Times.

FAIRPLAY.

THE SABBATH.

Sir,—The last letter of Rabbi Cohen in the Times of the 27th, tends to weaken one of the fundamental laws for the guidance of mankind in its duty to God and to man. As long as he confined his weekly expositions to ancient and Jewish history no complaint could be made, but when he writes: "The Sabbath is a social and religious institution; that all institutions are human, made for human beings by human beings," it is time he should be asked to explain his views on the divine authorship of the commandments. The first paragraph may be passed over, as social gatherings, with due respect for the Lord's Day, are not objectionable. Will Mr. Cohen deny that Moses was a chosen servant of God to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt through the Red Sea and the wilderness to the promised land? that God delivered to Moses the ten commandments for the guidance of the people? The seventh day to be holy to the Lord. Rabbi Cohen places the rest of this day on the lowest plane, as a day of rest for man, as a day set apart for man by man for earthly enjoyment. When the command was delivered to Moses to keep holy the Sabbath day, the children of Israel had little or no manual labor to do besides keeping themselves clean in their camp and person; their food was rained down on them by God day by day; on the sixth day they were to gather a double portion, and keep holy the seventh day. If the command to keep the seventh day holy was not given by God to Moses and children of Israel, who, and what man or priest ordained, or instituted the Sabbath as a day of rest only? We read in the Bible that the prophets, and good men of old spoke as they were moved and instructed by God, and did not enact divine laws of their own human knowledge. Our law makers in latter days have framed their laws for the proper relation of man to man, and for guidance in human affairs from the commandments delivered by God to the children of Israel. Sabbath trading and work generally are forbidden by human laws out of reverence for divine will, and not out of respect for institutions of human creation.

TO BE CONTINUED.

LAND GRANTS.

Sir,—Many persons as well as some of our legislators think, and argue as if land grants in payment of highly necessary public works were free gifts and a robbery of our public domain. Let us consider that large portions of the province are now inaccessible—unoccupied and unprofitable. These lands have been open for settlement for many years, but settlers will not, and cannot, go where there are no roads or other means of ingress and egress. That they will remain for an unlimited time unoccupied if not opened up by railways. We are all anxious for railways, and the opening up of the country to facilitate agricultural and mining operations. Such being the case how can our anxiety be satisfied? We have little money and do not like borrowing, but have valuable assets in our lands. We should, therefore, encourage opening up the country, and create avenues of commerce with our own means as far as they will go. I would deal with our public lands in this way: To be open to settlement to bona fide settlers on the easiest possible terms. No timber leases to be given, for who will take in the next fifty years a wilderness of stumps with all the marketable timber taken off. Make those who want timber pay for the land at which no purchaser should cavil, of from 500 to 1,000 trees and an acre of land can be had for $1.50 or $2.50. This is as near a free gift as possible.

I would desire to impress on the government of the day how little value land is of which the timber has been cut and its unsaleable condition. We have more timber land than clear, therefore the necessity for discretion, in making land grants for public works alternate blocks of ten or twenty square miles should be given as the proper means of opening up the government land as well as that of the grantee. Conditions to be imposed that such land grants should be sold at government prices, with an equitable adjustment of the taxation to be borne by the grantee. Mineral land taken up and discovered by miners to be subject to our mining laws. The principal points I desire to emphasize are: That land grants to railways under certain conditions and limitations are the best and most economical means of encouraging settlement and developing commerce. That no land should be leased for the purpose of cutting and taking off it all marketable timber, but sold for cash to be used in developing the country.

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Lorimer Makes His Confession

Tells of the Method He Had of Disposing of the Goods.

He Gives the Particulars of His Transactions With Kircheimer.

The case against Gustave Kircheimer, accused of having received goods to the value of $1,900, stolen from Turner, Beeton & Co., was continued in the police court yesterday, and in the afternoon Walter Lorimer, against whom a charge of stealing goods to the value of $900 has been laid, and will be heard on Friday, told the story of the transactions between him and Kircheimer. Lorimer said he had given Kircheimer goods at different times, for which he had received $850 in the aggregate, which was about half the value of the goods. The transactions had been going on from the middle of September to December 22. On December 18 he sent to Kircheimer's store three bales of denim, and one of white blankets, the regular price of which was $1.75, but which were given to Kircheimer for 70 cents, also two dozen shawls. He received $110, which was paid to him in the Brown Jug saloon. On December 22 he sent two bales of denim to Kircheimer's store, and received $100. He sent 18 or 19 bales of denim, as well as other goods to Kircheimer, and received about $850. Most of the money was paid in Kircheimer's store, and some in the Grotto, Brown Jug and Bank Exchange saloons. It was all paid without attention being drawn to the payment. Sometimes Kircheimer would slip the money into his hand, and at other times nudge him as they stood before the bar, and slip the money into his hand without attracting the attention of others.

The goods were not always sold at half price. Sometimes witness would not give them for half price. On one occasion Kircheimer went to Turner, Beeton & Co.'s store and asked witness why he didn't put some of the transactions in the book, and on Monday, the morning of the day on which both were arrested, Kircheimer asked if there was any chance of them getting into a row over the transactions. Witness sent him six or seven kinds of blankets, four rolls of linoleum, six squares of carpet, two of which had been recovered from his house and produced in court, one piece of cretonne, three gross of sewing cotton, patent buttons, rivets for use in making overalls from the denim supplied, one dozen cardigan jackets. Witness did not enter any of these transactions on the books of the firm, nor did he give Kircheimer an invoice, and took no receipts from him.

About the time of the exhibition witness borrowed ten dollars from Kircheimer. Two weeks afterwards accused asked him for this money in Turner Beeton's store. Witness did not have it, and told accused he would have to wait. Kircheimer told him to send up some stuff to his store and call the debt off. Witness sent up something; he would not be sure what it was. The goods sent were valued at about $20. Witness had owed the $10 to accused for two weeks.

Mr. Belyea—"You gave him goods to the value of $20 in settlement. Was that interest or discount?"

Witness—"Both."

Continuing witness said the bulk of the stuff sent to Kircheimer went to his store in November and December. Kircheimer told him he was getting overalls made from the denim. The cotton, buttons and rivets were for this purpose. He did not pay for them. The cotton was valued at $16.20, the buttons at $6.50, and rivets at $3.85. He had not paid for the cretonne either. Kircheimer met him on the street and asked him to send goods to his store. He met him also by appointment at the Brown Jug and other places. These appointments were made to receive money. Witness never got money before the goods were delivered. Kircheimer did not go to Turner-Beeton's to pick out the goods, although he was in the store and asked the price. The regular price of the denim was 90c., and Kircheimer was supposed by their agreement to pay 45c., but he only paid 40c.

Mr. Belyea—"So he got 50 per cent. off at the start, and as much off afterwards as he could get?"

Witness—"Yes."

Mr. Belyea—"Was there any agreed price to be paid for the denim?"

Witness—"He was supposed to get the denim at half price."

Continuing witness said that on the 22nd December he sent Kircheimer a quantity of denim. This he told him came to $110. He also sent two pieces of lining, which he gave him for eight cents. He wouldn't be sure whether the regular price was 18 or 20 cents. He identified the wrappers produced as those which had covered the denim then sent. He got $100 for these goods from Kircheimer. He cut the price of blankets supplied to Kircheimer. Kircheimer afterwards cut him down again from $165 to $120. On one occasion Kircheimer asked witness what he did with his money, and witness replied that he had something to do with it. Witness thought Kircheimer knew that he was not turning the money received into the firm. Kircheimer had bought some goods from the firm through witness, which had been entered in the books, the whole amount being less than $50. Kircheimer came to look for samples and job lots.

The earliest transaction with Kircheimer was in September, the last in December. Witness did not keep a memo of the stuff supplied to Kircheimer. The largest payment he had from Kircheimer was in November, when he received $180, which was paid at the Brown Jug saloon. There were no other customers of Turner, Beeton & Co. who gave witness orders on the street and paid him in this manner.

Mr. Belyea—"Why did you carry on a business in this way with Kircheimer?"

Witness—"From the first time I got into it, I could not get out of it." Kircheimer told him that if he did not send the goods up he would come down to the store to find out why they had not been sent, and the row would have started sooner.

Mr. Belyea—"Why didn't you tell him that you wouldn't send more?"

Witness—"If I had the row would have come all the sooner."

Mr. Belyea—"Did Kircheimer ever say or intimate to you that this would result?"

This question was objected to as being a leading question, and the objection was sustained.

Mr. Belyea—"In any conversation with Kircheimer did he ask you to send other goods than those supplied?"

Witness—"Only once. He said he wanted to get a barrel of rye, or some Scotch whiskey, and witness told him that he had nothing to do with the liquor deparment, and he would have to go to someone else. Kircheimer replied that witness was the only one he dealt with at the store. Witness did not send him any.

Cross-examined by Mr. Powell, witness said he had been connected with Turner, Beeton & Co. since June, 1897. Until two years ago he had been in the liquor department and two years ago took charge of the floor on which was the denim, blankets, etc. He did not superintend the sending out of heavy goods. Others sent out the goods as well as witness. In sending out goods he generally telephoned for draymen from the office. There were usually several people in the office. There was no way of checking the goods sent out by the dray. Kircheimer would never pay the dray. The sending of blankets was the first transaction. In explaining how the transactions started, witness said that in September last Kircheimer went to Turner-Beeton's store. Witness was talking to the collector of a shoe store which had come to collect a bill. Witness told the collector he could not pay, and that he would have to call again. Kircheimer who stood by at the time asked if the firm had any job lots. When told he said the price was too high and left. Two days later he returned and was looking at some denim. When told the price he said it was too high. Then he said to witness that if he would give him the denim at half price he could keep the collectors away. Witness did not reply. Half an hour afterwards, after thinking the thing over, and thinking of a chance given him thus to square up—he was away behind—he listened to the suggestion. He did not tell anyone of what Kircheimer had said. Kircheimer had walked around the flat, looking at blankets and kept talking about selling at half price and keeping the collectors away.

Mr. Powell—"You wish us to believe that the whole thing arose from Kircheimer's suggestion?"

Witness—"Yes."

Mr. Powell—"You are putting the entire blame of starting this thing on his shoulders?"

Witness—"Yes."

Mr. Powell—"You say he practically compelled you to keep this thing going?"

Witness—"Yes."

Mr. Powell—"Were you afraid of him?"

Witness—"Yes."

Mr. Powell—"Didn't you have an equal hold on him?"

Witness—"I didn't know whether I had or not."

Mr. Powell—"Couldn't you retort that he would get in just as much trouble as you would?"

Witness—"I didn't know whether I could or not?"

Continuing witness said that the day Kircheimer made the suggestion he had sent him a bale of blankets, for which Kircheimer paid next day. All the transactions of this kind were confined to Kircheimer. No goods were sent at half price to other than Kircheimer. He remembered having sold some white blankets to Stadhagen. He would not be sure at what price. They were sold to Stadhagen cheap because they were odd lines. The sale was entered in the books as far as he could remember. He was sure he did not send up a whole bale. Stadhagen had paid for the dray. He had given him a receipt. He could not remember whether he had given him a receipt for more than he had paid.

Kircheimer did his banking at the Bank of B. N. A. It was then situate near the Brown Jug. Witness had waited at that saloon while Kircheimer went to get cash. Kircheimer had paid him once when entering the saloon, slipping the money to him. On another occasion he had paid him when they stood at the bar. He hit witness in the side and slipped the money in his hand. It seemed as if he was bothered about where the money was paid. He had paid witness sometimes in his store; never where anyone was watching.

Accused had asked him why he did not enter some of the sales in the book, and again he had asked if witness thought they would get into a row. It seemed as if he knew how the goods were being taken from the firm.

Mr. Powell—"Do you want us to believe that he knew you were both engaged in an illegal transaction?"

Witness—"Yes. I thought he knew."

Mr. Powell—"You are satisfied now that he did know?"

Witness—"Yes."

The conversation regarding whether witness thought that they might get into a row was held in Trounce Alley on the afternoon of December 22. Goods had been delivered to Kircheimer shortly before. They had gone into the back room of the Grotto, and Kircheimer had given him $50. He told witness to go back and he would give him another $50. Witness did so and received the money. Witness first heard of the impending trouble on December 22. He was speaking to some person when Mr. Thompson, manager of the firm came and asked him to step into his office. Mr. Thompson told him of what he was suspected, and witness made a clean breast of the whole thing. He gave a statement of goods sent to Kircheimer to the value of $684. It was all that he could remember at the time. Later he remembered more things, and he told Mr. Thompson and Detective Perdue. He was arrested on Monday night, the 22nd December. His arrest was not a surprise. He had been in the office of Turner, Beeton & Co. since the afternoon until 11 p. m. He did not know that his brother had gone to see Kircheimer. He was told that someone had.

The charge against him in the first instance read of stealing $250. It was afterwards amended, another information being laid charging him with stealing goods to the value of another $650—$900 in all. He had started to Mr. Thompson's once in October with the intention of making a clean breast of the whole business, but there was someone with him, and he did not go.

Re-examined by Mr. Belyea, he said that it was shortly after he returned from his holidays in October that he decided to tell Mr. Thompson of what he had been doing.

Mr. Belyea—"Did Kircheimer know about the sales to Stadhagen?"

Witness—"Yes, he said I shouldn't allow Stadhagen in the store, as he had stolen a suit of clothes from Ben Williams, and the police were looking for him."

In the morning session of the court more Chinese merchants told of purchases of denim, identified as that shown in court from Kircheimer. Messrs. Heany and Lindsay, drivers for J. Heany, drayman, told of having delivered goods such as that shown in court to Kircheimer's store. William Lorimer said he remembered Kircheimer coming to Turner, Beeton & Co.'s premises, and had invoiced odd lots bought by him. He had never invoiced any of the goods shown in court, and if the accused had procured the goods shown he had done so outside the regular way of business. Witness had never sold goods to Kircheimer. In the course of his cross-examination by Mr. Powell, witness said that on one occasion Kircheimer brought to Turner, Beeton & Co.'s premises a Mr. Blanck, who purchased a couple of rugs. The money paid was placed in the cash box, and itemized in witnesses' book. His brother had no transactions with Kircheimer in witnesses' presence, nor did his brother come to him for change for Kircheimer. He remembered Kircheimer having bought an old lot of shawls in October, for which he paid at the office. Witness made out the invoice.

Witness went to the house of Kircheimer on the night of December 22 to see if he could not straighten out the trouble. Mr. Thompson or Mr. Belyea had given him no authority to conduct the matter. He had a bill of the goods missing. He showed Kircheimer this list and told him that if he would settle for the missing goods to the value of about $785, he thought the matter could be settled. Kircheimer refused to have anything to do with the matter. He said that the goods bought by him had been bought in the regular way of business.

Witness said he had himself offered to make good the amount to the firm, but they would not accept it. Kircheimer came to the premises frequently and enquired for witness' brother.

The case was adjourned until Monday morning—Kircheimer is still held until then, being unable to secure bail. Lorimer's bail has not been renewed, and he is also held awaiting the preliminary hearing on Friday morning.

THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, Dec. 31—8 p. m.

SYNOPSIS.

An ocean storm area now centred on the coast of Oregon, is slowly moving southward. It is giving place to higher pressure which may cause fair cold weather on Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland. Rain is falling on the Coast from the Columbia river to San Francisco, and snow in Eastern Oregon. The weather is fine throughout this province and cold between the ranges. From the Rockies to Manitoba the weather is fair and comparatively mild.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	40	43
New Westminster	4	40
Kamloops	30	32
Barkerville	8	14
Calgary	22	26
Winnipeg	10	34
Portland, Ore.	42	54
San Francisco	42	54

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time) Thursday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Winds mostly Northerly, partly cloudy and moderately cold.

Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, mostly Northerly, partly cloudy and cold.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m, noon and 5 p. m.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 31.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	40	Mean	41
Noon	40	Highest	43
5 p.m.	39	Lowest	39

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ..... 4 miles East.
Noon ..... 8 miles North.
5 p.m. ..... 4 miles North.

Average state of weather—Showery.
Rain—.23 inch.
Barometer at noon—Observed 29.614
Corrected 29.645
Mean temperature for December 40.78
Total precipitation for December .. 6.23 in.
Total precipitation of 1902 ..... 26.45 in.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected 29 72

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Birth of A New City

Grand Forks Created From Former Corporations of Itself and Columbia.

New City Starts With the New Year, Success to It.

The following proclamation was issued yesterday amalgamating the cities of Grand Forks and Columbia under the corporate name of "The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks":

CANADA,
Province of British Columbia.

EDWARD VII., by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions Beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, etc., etc., etc.

To all whom these presents shall come.—Greeting.

Whereas it is provided by section 3 of chapter 29 of the Statutes of 1902, being the "Grand Forks and Columbia Amalgamation Act, 1902," that it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council forthwith after the passing of said Act, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, to incorporate into a City, under the name of "The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks," all the lands at the passing of said Act comprised within the corporate limits of the Cities of Columbia and Grand Forks; that, save as in said Act provided, such Letters Patent shall have the same force and effect as Letters Patent issued under the provisions and after compliance with all the formalities of chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia and amendments thereto, notwithstanding that such formalities have not been observed or are inapplicable; and that the said Letters Patent shall fix the first day of January, 1903, as the date of such incorporation:

And whereas the Honourable Sir Henri Gustave Joly de Lotbiniere, Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, under and by virtue of the powers and authority conferred upon him by the said Acts, and of all other powers and authority him in that behalf enabling, hath ordered that all those parcels or tracts of land on the twenty-second day of April, 1902, comprised within the corporate limits of the Cities of Columbia and Grand Forks, and the inhabitants thereof, shall, on, from and after the first day of January, 1903, be incorporated as a City Municipality, and hath made further provision to the tenor and effect hereinafter appearing:

Now Know Ye, that by these presents We do hereby order and proclaim that the said parcels or tracts of land, and the inhabitants thereof, shall, on, from and after the first day of January, 1903, be incorporated as a City Municipality, under the name of "The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks," under and subject to the provisions of the said Acts, and under and subject to the provisions hereinafter contained or referred to.

The Council of the said new Municipality shall consist for the period of two years after incorporation, of a Mayor and six Aldermen; two Aldermen to be elected from each of the wards mentioned in paragraph 11 in Schedule A of said Chapter 29; four members of said Council shall constitute a quorum, and after the expiration of said period the said Council shall be subject, as to number and representation, to the provisions of the "Municipal Clauses Act" and amendments.

The nomination for the first election of a Mayor and Aldermen shall be held in the building in which the Clerk of the existing City of Grand Forks has his office as such Clerk, on the fifteenth day of January, 1903, from twelve o'clock noon until two o'clock p. m., and the polling (if any) shall be at said building on the twenty-second day of January, 1903, and shall continue for one day only, and the polls shall be kept open between the hours of nine o'clock a. m. and half-past seven o'clock p. m., and Ernest Miller, of the said City of Grand Forks, Esquire, shall be the Returning Officer, and William B. Bower, of the said City of Grand Forks, Esquire, John Aylmer McCallum, of the said City of Columbia, Esquire, and H. C Kerman, Esquire, shall be Deputy Returning Officers thereat.

The persons entitled to vote at said election shall be the persons whose names appear on the voters' lists prepared under the provisions of section 25 and following sections of said chapter 29.

Each person whose name appears in the list prepared under the provisions of said section 25 shall be entitled to vote for Mayor and for two Aldermen to be elected to represent the ward in which his name appears in said list: Provided always that he shall not cast more than one vote in favor of any one candidate, or vote on more than one occasion: Provided further, that in distributing into the respective wards of the new City the names appearing on the several voters' lists mentioned in said section 25, the Returning Officer shall have regard to the qualifications in respect of which such names were entered on such voters' lists, and in case no municipal record shall be produced to him in evidence of such qualification sufficient to enable him to determine to which ward any such names should in such manner be assigned, the Returning Officer shall have power to require such evidence by statutory declaration, or otherwise, as he may deem proper, to show which ward or wards such name should so be assigned; and in default of such evidence, after such notice, public or other, as he may deem sufficient, the Returning Officer may refuse or omit to enter such name in any ward except upon order under section 11 of the Municipal Elections Act, but shall forthwith enter it instead upon a list to be prepared by him of such names, and the persons whose names are so entered shall thereby become entitled to vote for Mayor, but not for Aldermen, of said new City.

The qualifications and disqualifications for nomination and election as Mayor and Aldermen respectively at the said first election, shall be those applicable by virtue of the "Municipal Clauses Act" in respect of elections subsequent to the first election.

The Mayor and Aldermen elected at the first election shall hold office until his successor, or a majority of their successors have been sworn in, unless he or they shall die or resign or become disqualified.

At least six days' notice of the time and place of nomination and of holding of the poll (if any) shall be given by the said Returning Officer; such notice shall be posted during that period in the manner provided by section 30 of the "Municipal Elections Act."

The Returning Officer shall, on the day of nomination, at 2 o'clock p. m., announce the names of the persons put in nomination in that behalf as candidates for the offices of Mayor and Aldermen, as prescribed by the "Municipal Elections Act."

At the close of the time for nominating the candidates the Returning Officer shall deliver to every candidate, or agent of a candidate, applying for the same, a duly certified list of the names of the several candidates who shall have been nominated; and any votes given at the election for any other candidates than those so nominated shall be null and void.

If, at the expiration of the time appointed for the election as aforesaid, no more candidates stand nominated than there are vacancies to be filled, the Returning Officer shall forthwith declare the candidates who may stand nominated to be elected, and return their names to the Registrar of the Supreme Court.

No speeches or interruption to the proceedings of nominating candidates at the hustings shall be permitted by the Returning Officer between the reading of the notice of election and the closing of the proceedings on nomination day by the Returning Officer.

If, at the expiration of such time, more candidates stand nominated than there are vacancies to be filled up, the Returning Officer shall declare the names of the candidates, and publicly proclaim the day previously stated in his proclamation, and the place at which the poll shall be so opened in the Municipality, for the purpose of taking the votes of the electors according to law; and shall then adjourn the election, and shall take a poll by ballot, and shall cause to be posted up notices of his having granted such poll, indicating the names, residences, and occupations of candidates so nominated, in the order in which they shall be printed on the ballot papers, which notices shall, as soon as possible after the nomination, be placarded in all the places where the proclamation for the election was posted up.

If, after the adjournment of the election by the Returning Officer for the purpose of taking a poll, one of the candidates nominated shall die before the poll has commenced, the Returning Officer shall, upon being satisfied of the fact of such death, countermand notice of the poll, and all proceedings with reference to the election shall be commenced afresh: Provided that no fresh nomination shall be necessary in the case of a candidate who stood nominated at the time of the countermand of the poll.

In case of a poll being held the candidates (duly qualified) who shall obtain the greatest number of votes shall be Mayor and Municipal Aldermen respectively.

In the event of the number of votes being found to have been equal for any two or more candidates, one or more of whom, but not all of such candidates, being by the state of the poll entitled to be declared elected, the Returning Officer shall by a casting vote or votes, as the case may be, decide which of the candidates for whom the votes may be equal shall be elected: Provided that the said Returning Officer shall not vote except in case of an equality of votes as aforesaid.

All expenses attendant upon the said election shall be borne by the said "The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks."

The opening of the ballot boxes and counting the votes shall be in the presence of the candidates if they attend for that purpose

The Returning Officer, after the declaration of the poll, shall retain the ballot papers and boxes until a clerk shall be duly appointed, to whom he shall forthwith deliver the same.

Any vacancy in the office of Mayor or Alderman shall be filled as provided by the "Municipal Elections Act."

The first meeting of the Council shall be held on the first Saturday after the day of election, at the building in which the nomination shall be held, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

All the provisions of chapters 63, 143 and 144 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia and amendments thereto shall apply to the Municipality of the new city, except when the provisions of such Acts are repugnant to the provisions of said chapter 29.

All rights and powers held, enjoyed or exercised by both or either of the said cities of Columbia and Grand Forks by virtue of the Statutes under which they, or either of them, were incorporated, or by virtue of any other law or statute, and all rights and powers conferred by law or public statute now in force upon City Municipalities within British Columbia shall, upon incorporation, be forthwith vested in the new city.

Now Further Know Ye that, under and by virtue of the powers conferred by section 13 of said chapter 29 of the Statutes of 1902, and of all other powers and authority in that behalf, and upon the nomination of the City of Columbia, we do hereby appoint Charles Hay, Esquire, John Aylmer McCallum, Esquire, and Isaac A. Dinsmore, Esquire, Commissioners for the purposes mentioned in said section 13 and other sections of said Act, and in Schedule A to said Act, and with the powers, authority and functons conferred by said sections and Schedule, and with such other powers, authority and functions as shall be found necessary to carry out said purposes and which We are authorized by said Act to confer.

The said Commissioners shall receive such reasonable remuneration for their services as shall be fixed under section 78 of chapter 187 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia, which, by said chapter 29, is made applicable hereto.

Each Commissioner, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall give security to His Majesty the King for the due performance of said duties, and for the due accounting of all moneys received in the performance of said duties, by a bond of an incorporated Guarantee Company approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, in the sum of five thousand dollars.

Forthwith after giving security as aforesaid the said Commissioners shall have within the territory of the present City of Grand Forks, such powers and authority as are necessary or reasonably convenient for the purpose of carrying out the works within such territory expressly contemplated by the provisions of said Schedule A to said chapter 29, and subject thereto.

The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may at any time, upon cause assigned cancel the appointment of any of the said Commissioners, and thereupon, or upon any vacancy occurring by reason of the death, resignation or refusal to act of any Commissioner, or otherwise, may appoint another in his stead from among the residents within the present limits of the City of Columbia, upon recommendation of the Board of Commissioners, and pending of a default of such appointment the remaining members shall exercise all the powers of the full Board.

The Commissioners shall make a report to the Minister of Finance or to the Commissioner of Public Works whenever and on such matters as shall be directed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

All authority and functions vested in the said Commissioners shall cease so soon as the works mentioned in section 13 of said chapter 29, and in Schedule A in said chapter 29, are fully completed, and a proper report of said Commissioners shall have been accepted by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

These Letters Patent shall not extend nor be construed to extend to any franchise or privilege granted by the present City of Columbia or the present City of Grand Forks to any territory other than that to which it applied on the twenty-second day of April, 1902.

As soon as practicable the Council of the new City shall proceed to hold an election of a new Board of School Trustees for the new City in accordance with the provisions of the "Public Schools Act" and amending Acts. The day to be fixed by the said Council for said election shall not be later than the twelfth day of February, 1903.

In Testimony Whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: Witness, the Honourable Sir Henri Gustave Joly de Lotbiniere, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and two, and in the second year of Our Reign.

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